



The Gospel

Main Scripture: Mark 9:2-10, 9:30-32

Additional Scripture: 1st Corinthians 15:1-4, John 13:12

Hearing: Discussion Questions

- Pair up and explain the Gospel as if you were talking to someone who had no knowledge of Jesus at all. Come back and answer the following questions:
 - How easy is it for you to share the Gospel in a way that is understandable?
 - What aspects of the Gospel are hard for you to explain? Why?
- Pastor Mike began by saying that superficiality is a curse of our day. He said we major on the minors and minor on the majors. We know more about Gator sports than the Gospel, more about our boss than our spouse, etc. Where in your own life are you majoring on the minors? How can you shift your focus back to the majors?
- “You don’t need a new, novel truth: you need to find the main truth and take it deep!” Why is it that Christians treat the Gospel like it is Christianity 101?
 - How do we take the Gospel deep? What does that look like?
 - How do we move from the Gospel being head knowledge to heart knowledge?
- “All our problems stem from a Gospel deficiency.” Do you agree with this? Why or why not? If so, give some examples of how the Gospel can redeem certain situations that members of the small group are currently dealing with.
- **Read 1st Corinthians 15:-14, 15:42-58.** The Gospel is a substitution story. Using the passages in 1st Corinthians 15, break down the substitution aspect of the Gospel and the parts that Adam and Jesus played.
 - What pockets in your life have you substituted yourself for Jesus in terms of who is making the calls?
- The Gospel is a resurrection story. “If Jesus beat death, then Christians should not be afraid of anything.” If this is true, then why are so many Christians fearful?
 - How do we move from a place of fear to a place of fearlessness?
- The Gospel is a love story. Why is it hard for people to truly accept the fact that God is crazy about them? What has hindered/hinders you from receiving Father’s love?

Doing: Application

- Put into practice how your small group answered the question “How do you take the Gospel deep?” and come back next week and discuss what effect that had on your week and walk with Jesus.