

Icebreaker

If you were made king/queen of your own country, what are three rules or mandates you would impose as the new ruler?

Question 2

It may be important to remind your group that drifting is not seen as a loss of salvation, but for Christ followers it's not following God's plan for our life and missing the joy that God promises.



1. What have you learned this week through your personal study?
2. These new Jewish believers and seekers were being asked to pay closer attention to the things they had heard. What are some things in your spiritual walk you should pay closer attention to?

This questions begin to get a little personal, that's OK. Growth and relationship flourish once the ice is broken. You or your co-leader should be willing to contribute something from your life that will help start the conversation.

3. If God originally created the world for man, how was Jesus able to restore this relationship?

God originally gave the world to man. It took a man to reclaim what we had lost through the Fall. Jesus had to live as the perfect Man and die to restore sinful man's relationship with God.

Question 4

If your group is unable to understand Jesus as man discussed in the leader guide, take time here to point that out. It's healthy if the group is able to uncover this by digging in the Word and discussing it together.



4. Take time to read Hebrews 2:5-8, Psalm 8 and Genesis 1:27-31 together as a group. These passages give us a picture of man's place in created order. What new realities surface when reading these three passages together? This question was also asked in your Personal Study this week, feel free to share your answers.

5. Verse 15 states that Jesus delivered us from fear of death. Do you still have a fear of death? Why do you think death still scares believers?

Take time to look at God's perspective on death. Psalm 23 is a great passage on the fear of death and God's promise through physical death.

6. Hebrews says that Jesus suffered and was tempted to be able to come to the aide of those who are being tempted. How have you been able to find rest in Christ during times of temptation?

Response

Get creative and encourage your group to take part in this during the week and share their experiences next week. You might even challenge your group to do something together over the weekend.

Make this worship.

As humans, we have been given dominion over the world. Creation is a gift from God and He has trusted us to take care of it (Gen. 1). We do not worship creation, we honor God by taking care and being good stewards of the things He gives us. What can you do this week to take care of the earth and creation?



