SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Pastor Dan Stolebarger May 28-29, 2005

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Where is the USA in Scripture? Join Pastor Dan for a four week series on Hosea. Class begins on Monday, May 29 in the Sanctuary. For more information, or to register, visit www.therockuniversity.org.

Dunamis: Join us this **Tuesday, May 31** from 7-9 PM in the Sanctuary. This month our corporate prayer will be for the church and staff. Learn how to pray Scripture and to pray effectively. Why not come each month as a small group?

Be Jesus' Hands and Feet: June 4-5 & 11-12 The Rock will be collecting gently used clothing, non-perishable food, and cold medicines to be distributed to the SHARE Ministry and the San Diego Rescue Mission.

Men of the Rock: Join us for an overnight fishing trip in Mexico June 10-11. \$199 (includes permit). Just a few more spots are available! For more information, or to sign up, contact Aric Curtis at 619.207.7628 or aric.curtis@dhs.gov.

Miles Ahead Dinner and Celebrity Golf Tournament: The Banquet/Auction will be held June 21 at the Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines. At that event, Pastor Miles McPherson will unveil his new strategies for reaching youth for Jesus via a TV show, "Four Stories Tall" and a web launch. The Golf Tournament will be held Wednesday June 22 at the Maderas Golf Club in Poway. For more information, visit www.milesahead.com.

Married Couples of the Rock: Our 3rd Annual Married Couples Retreat is coming July 15 – 17. What unsaved couple will you invite to join us at La Quinta Resort and Spa? Stop by the Small Group table for more information or register online at: www.therocksandiego.org.

Women of the Rock: What's Your Identity in Christ? Join us for a weekend with Nancy Stafford August 12-14 at the Calvary Chapel Conference Center in Temecula. Registration forms available online at http://www.therocksandiego.org/ministries/womens/.

Tijuana House Building: Your group can come together and build a simple shelter for a family in Mexico. Put some action to your faith and plan to join us during any of the following dates: **September 10, October 29, December 3, or January 28**. For more information, contact Ed Crenshaw at 858.571.3427 or tihousebuilding@therocksandiego.org.

Memory Verse: "Lead me to the Rock that is higher than. For You have been my refuge, a strong tower from my enemy." Psalm 61:2b-3

Purpose: To determine how the identity of Jesus Christ and the identity of "the Rock Church," impacts our daily life.

Prayer: Remember to pray for the documentary, "Four Stories Tall" which began filming this past week. Pray for spiritual, physical, and mental protection for everyone involved.

Connect:

- I. Go around the room and share what you thought of communion before this weekend, and what you learned from service. (Did you think it was a sacrament needed to get into heaven? An act of obedience as a Christian?)
- 2. During the services this weekend Pastor Dan explained different metaphors for "The Rock" and outlined why we are called "The Rock Church." Which metaphor resonated with you the most? Why did that metaphor speak to you?
- 3. Why do you think it is important that we define what it means to be "The Rock Church"?

Grow:

- I. Read I Corinthians II:27. What would be considered, "an unworthy manner?"
- 2. One of our goals as believers is to better understand the identity of Jesus Christ. We just finished a sermon series that outlined the identity of Jesus Christ. Which part of Jesus' identity speaks the most to you in your life? Why is it important that we continue to grow in our understanding of the identity of Jesus?
- 3. Pastor Dan explained that Jesus is the "Foundation Stone" of our faith. How does this component of the identity of Jesus impact who we are as a body of believers? Why is it important that our Church is built on the identity of Jesus?

Live:

- I. Think about your day tomorrow. Consider everything you have scheduled to do, the people you will come into contact with, and how you spend your free time. What aspect of Jesus' identity will help you live a life of faith as you go about your day? What aspect of Jesus' identity will give you strength to serve Him?
- 2. How can you best serve the Rock given what we learned about our identity as a church?
- 3. If someone asked you why we are called "The Rock," what would you say?