SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Servant Questions written by Pastor Paul Garrison June 10, 2007



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Young Adult Café - Do you know a young adult who doesn't fit in your group or who can't make it because of schedule issues??? Can you refer them to the new Small Group Café for young adults? We meet Sunday nights, 5:15-6:45 PM in the Youth Center. 9179 Aero Dr., 92123 (across the parking lot from the Sanctuary).

Summer Youth Camp, "Built to Survive" - One week of archery, basketball, midnight dodgeball, mixed martial arts, paintball, rock climbing, swimming, water slides, ziplines, outdoor worship, relevant Bible teaching, and more friends than you can text! Cost: \$300 (includes round trip bus transportation, lodging in cabins, 15 meals, all activities, snacks, and a camp photo). Junior High Dates: July 22-27; Senior High Dates: July 29 - August 3. For more information, contact Erika Payne at 858.268.1366 x2017

Women's Retreat - Join us in Murrieta Hot Springs, August 10-12, as we fellowship with speaker Laurie Cole and celebrate the theme "There is a Season." For more information or to register, log onto www.therocksandiego.org/ministries/womens.

For all other Rock events, please go http://www.therocksandiego.org/eventcalendar/.

MINISTRY PRAYER REQUESTS

As "small groupies," you are the heart and soul of this ministry--who better than you to lift up the Small Group Ministry in prayer? So, it's up to you, you can spend time in your small group praying for these things (weekly or occasionally), or you can pray during the week on your own time. And if you'd like to be added to our Pastor's Prayer Team(s), just let us know. John Dehnert, Mark Collins, or Paul Garrison, our small group pastors, would love your prayers! We send out a monthly email of their personal and ministry prayer requests. Just contact Andy Rodgers at <u>andyr@therocksandiego.org</u>. May God work through your prayers mightily!

Reaching the Lost: Can you pray that God would continue to give you and your small group opportunities to share Jesus with those far from Him? Pray for the courage and wisdom to know how to build relationships with them.

Current Small Group Leaders/Small Groups: What if you spent this week lifting up your small group leader(s) and host(s) in prayer. What are their specific needs (relationally, professionally, ministry-related, etc.)?

Potential Small Group Leaders: Can you pray that God would prompt those He'd like to be small group leaders, coaches, and hosts? We want to continue building our leadership team so that we can meet the needs of our church, especially with moving into our building in Pt. Loma and the potential to have so many new people attend the church.

Small Group Staff: Can you pray for unity and wisdom as we complete our calendar planning for the rest of the year? With moving into the new building, the way we do trainings and sign-ups for small groups will reflect they way our facility is set up.

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Text: Philippians 2:3-11

Getting Started

- 1. How was your week?
- 2. If you were God with all of His powers and you were going to reveal your existence to humanity, how would you reveal yourself?

Digging Deeper

- 3. In our culture, give some examples of how we display acts of service.
- 4. Why do you think serving people is tied so closely to money in our culture?
- 5. In verse 3 of our text we are commanded to view other people's interests as more important than our own. Compare and contrast this type of service with the type of service motivated by making a profit.
- 6. One of the amazing aspects of the gospel is how Jesus left heaven and came to earth as a servant. What can we learn from this example?
- 7. What would the condition of our relationships be if we obeyed this text?

Bringing it Home

- 8. All of us have relationships where we can apply these truths. What is one relationship where you can apply this? What can you do to serve them without expecting anything in return?
- 9. What was the end result for Jesus after coming to earth as a servant (v.9-11)? What lessons can we learn from this?