SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Written Word – Part 2 Questions written by Scotty James November 8, 2009



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Small Groups Ministry is taking sign ups for DO SOMETHING small group facilitators. If you know of someone interested, have them contact us. All of our current small groups will be going through the 6 week curriculum in January, and we'll have more details on everything in the near future.

MEMORY VERSE

"I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people." - Jeremiah 31: 33 NKJV

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GETTING STARTED

It's unbelievable how much useless information we have stored in our brains. Take music for example. We have tons of useless songs stored in our minds. Go around and share how many songs you think you have memorized. Are there any songs that everyone in your group knows the words to?

DIGGING DEEPER

- 1. In Jeremiah, the Scriptures say that God would put His Law in hearts and write it on minds. What exactly do you think this means? Would you say that God's law is on your mind and written on your heart?
- 2. The Scripture uses two things that God will put the law on: the heart and the mind. What is the significance of these two things? Why didn't God say He would write His law on their biceps and foreheads?
- 3. How many of you have ever wanted to memorize Scripture, but felt like you couldn't? Have you ever tried to memorize a verse but it seemed like it wouldn't stick?
- 4. Recall the random songs that you and your group have memorized. If you can memorize all of those songs (which contain hundreds of words), do you think you're capable of memorizing a couple Scriptures?
- 5. We sometimes memorize songs without even trying. What does that tell you about the mind and memorization?

- 6. The brain can't memorize what you don't put in it. When you memorize a song, it's because you continually listen to it. The music consumes your mind. This is how it should be with God's Word. We should be so consumed with God's Word, (through listening, reading, and talking about it) that it just sticks to our brain. Is this the case in your life? Is God's Word a major thing that flows through your mind, or is it something your mind gets fed once or twice a week?
- 7. In the sermon, the point was made that God wants to feed you His Word. Why is that? What will feeding on God's Word do? Even think about memorizing it...what exactly will memorizing God's Word do? What benefit is there in doing this?
- 8. God wants to feed us His Word, and engrave it in our hearts and minds because He wants it to become who we are. He wants us to become like Him. Is this process pleasurable or painful? Or both? Elaborate.
- 9. In the sermon, the point was made that God is a light to our path. What exactly does this mean? Do you think your path needs lighting? Why or why not? If it does need lighting, what does that tell you (in other words, when does someone need a light)?
- 10. The only time someone needs light is when they are in the dark, and that is exactly where every human being is. We all are in darkness, because we are sinful and unrighteous. Praise God for His graciousness in giving us light! But if we don't use the light He gives us, what does that say about us? If someone was in a dark room, and you offered them a flashlight, and they refused it, what would you think of them? Is it any different when we refuse the light (direction/wisdom) that God offers us? Why or why not?

BRINGING IT HOME

"KEEP MY COMMANDS AND YOU WILL LIVE, AND MY LAW AS THE APPLE OF YOUR EYE." - PROVERBS 7:2

- 1. God wants to feed us His word, and He wants it to become who we are. This is where accountability comes to play. How can we help each other become who God created us to be? What are some specific ways?
- 2. Memorization is not always easy; it sometimes takes work. Great! God never said walking with Him is easy. This week, make and effort to memorize some of God's word. Find a Scripture to memorize and encourage each other this week to memorize it.