

The Gospel Changes Everything

Small Group Discussion Questions

PUBLIC WORSHIP DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The global pandemic COVID-19 has forced us to adjust and adapt how we do church and stay connected to one another as a congregation. We're not closed as a church, we're just doing church differently! So, please stay connected to the body at Grantham Church. Join our congregation for worship in-person with restrictions or online at 10:30 am each Sunday morning via our Grantham Church YouTube Channel. For more information, please go to the [Grantham Church Live](#) page at our website.

As usual, the sermons will be posted to the [recent sermons page](#) on our website and at the [Grantham Church Podcast](#) the following day, along with the small group discussion questions under Worship Resources. Thank you for staying connected with us!

Sunday, May 30th 2021



Sermon Title: The Gospel Changes Everything

Scripture Reading: Galatians 2:11-21

Sermon Focus: The Gospel is central to the Christian faith, and it has implications on how we live every part of our lives. Why then do we so easily forget it and begin to justify ourselves through works? In this message, Pastor Melissa articulates what the Gospel is and challenges us to apply it to every area of our lives, remembering to serve God out of a desire to delight in him and be like him.

Thank you for going deeper in conversation with your small group in person, by phone, or video call. Use the following questions to help *guide* your small group discussion:

1. At the beginning of the message, Melissa suggested that a basic human need is to find approval and value. Do you agree? What ways do you notice people seeking to prove their worth or find acceptance?
2. Read Galatians 2:11-21 together. What was Peter doing wrong and what do you notice about how Paul addresses it? What else stands out to you in the passage? Do you have any questions about it? What are you challenged or encouraged by as you read it?
3. After reading the passage, how would you articulate the Gospel? How might you explain it to someone who isn't in a relationship with Jesus?
4. Justification is being made right with God through faith in Christ, not works. In Christ's death our sin is put on Jesus and Jesus' righteousness is put on us. What emotions does this elicit from you (e.g., joy, gratitude, peace)? What is an appropriate response to what Jesus has done for us?
5. What ways do you notice in your life that you tend to justify yourself? (Think about what makes you feel guilty, anxious, defensive, or insecure.)
6. What are some specific practices that might help you remember the Gospel in that area of your life (e.g., a rhythm of prayer, accountability from a friend, Melissa talked about a post-it note reminder on her desk)?