



WHO'S IN OUR SEATS?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Next Steps for New Believers August 17, 2025

Read Romans 10:9 and Galatians 3:26

Briefly share your salvation story. How would you explain the gift of salvation to someone who has not experienced this gift?

Read Matthew 3:13–17 and Matthew 28:19.

If baptism doesn't save us, why is it still such an important step for new believers? How have you personally grown from the experience of baptism (your own or witnessing others')?

Read Galatians 2:20 and Matthew 5

How do we balance relying fully on Christ's perfection with our ongoing call to pursue holiness? How do you personally stay committed to growing in holiness?

Read 1 Corinthians 12:12 and Matthew 16:18

Why is participation in a local church essential, even though we are part of the universal Church? What dangers come when believers live outside of the local body?

Read Hebrews 10:24–25 and Ephesians 5:25–27

How can we encourage someone who has been hurt by the church without dismissing their pain? What are some practical ways to remind them of God's design for the church despite its flaws?

Read 2 Timothy 3:16–17, Romans 12:12, and Mark 16:15

Which of the seven disciplines (Bible intake, prayer, worship, serving, giving, evangelism, solitude) do you find most natural? Which is hardest for you—and why do you think that is?

Read Acts 2:42–47

How can spiritual routines help prevent our faith from becoming "legalistic checklists" and instead lead us toward true Christlikeness?

Read Matthew 20:26–28

In what ways does deeper involvement in church life call us to serve more and be noticed less? Share how serving others has helped grow your affection for the body of Christ.