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**GROUPS**  
• VICTORY CHURCH •

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

### AS THE DISCUSSION LEADER, THERE ARE A FEW THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND FOR YOUR SMALL GROUP:

- Pray for your group discussion time!
- Review your notes from the Sunday message and familiarize yourself with the discussion questions prior to your group meeting.
- Choose a few questions from the guide which you feel will generate the most discussion in your group.

### GETTING TO KNOW ME (ICEBREAKER):

- What is one quality you saw in your parents and/or grandparents which you would like to pass on to your family?
- What is your family's spiritual heritage? How has this affected your outlook on the church and God as an adult?
- What was the most significant thing you learned from this week's Sunday morning message?

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- What is your normal tendency...is it relationally connecting with Christians only, or are you intentional about building relationships with people that are far from God? If the former is true, what do you need to start doing that will help you to connect with people that are not yet following Jesus?
- Have someone in your group read 1 Peter 3:15. If you were given only 3-5 minutes to effectively explain the gospel, would you be confident and prepared? What would you say? What specific steps do you need to take now to be ready to explain to a non-Christian what Biblical Christianity really is?
- What are the benefits of focusing on fewer people with a more sincere invitation to join you at a church, as compared to a more casual invitation to lots of people? What are the benefits of connecting with someone that you have invited before or after the service ( i.e., coffee, brunch, lunch, etc.)?
- In a recent survey of a thousand church attendees, when asked, "Why does the church exist?"... only 11% answered "to win the world for Jesus Christ." Why is this answer such a frightening response? What can we do to keep our attitude from falling into that same pattern?

### PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:

Steve & Dawn Robertson – Canary Islands  
Anthony & Marybeth Jorge – Campus Ministry Duke University

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday October 6 – Matthew West Concert  
Saturday October 7 – Men's breakfast – Guest Speaker – Pastor Jay Dennis  
Sunday October 8 – Connection/Membership class North campus – open to everyone  
Sunday October 15 – Connection/Membership class South Campus – open to everyone