



LifeGroup Discussion Questions

Does Anyone Seek God? | June 11, 2023

Summary

No one seeks God, but He seeks us. Salvation is not us finding God, but Him finding us.

Scripture

Indeed, there is no one on earth who is righteous, no one who does what is right and never sins.
-Ecclesiastes 7:20 (NIV)

“Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.
-Matthew 6:1-4 (NIV)

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If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn’t do it, it is sin for them.
-James 4:17 (NIV)

Let’s Start

In what ways are all people the same?

Gratitude and Prayer

How has God worked in your life since we were together?

Let's Talk

1. According to the Romans passage, who is righteous?
2. How do our conversations reflect our sinful nature?
3. Pastor Kyle defined sin as:
 - Doing the wrong things
 - Not doing the right things
 - Doing the right things for the wrong reason

Which one of these definitions opens your eyes to some sins in your own life? Explain. Why do we “not do the right things” or “do the right things for the wrong reason”?

4. “Sin is about the self.” What does that mean?
5. Pastor Kyle said the answer to our sin problem is to fear God and be silent. Why is silence a part of the answer?
6. When did you first become aware of your sinfulness and need for God?

Let's Act

Pastor Kyle shared a portion of the poem “The Hound of Heaven,” written by Francis Thompson, about how God pursued him in his darkest days. How has God pursued you? Share your story about coming to faith in Jesus Christ with someone you know.
