



Discussion Questions

Sermon title: "People of the Towel: Formed for God's Family"

Scripture: 1 Peter 2:17

Date: August 15 & 16, 2015

Don't feel pressured to cover every single question. Feel free to disagree with and discuss any statement on the "Let's Review" Section.

Let's Talk

- Did you take the spiritual gifts inventory? What did you discover?
- With summer winding down, what is one of your favorite memories from this summer?

Let's Review

- Sermon scriptures: [Jn 3:16] - [Acts 2:42-44] - [Rom 6:3, 12:5-10] - [1 Cor 3:9, 12:13] [Gal 6:2, 12:10] - [Eph 2:19, 4:16] - [1 Tim 3:14-15] - [Hb 10:25] - [1 Pt 2:17, 4:9] - [1 Jn 3:10-14, 4:20-21]
- Real fellowship means loving God's family (God's family = each other).
- Four levels of fellowship or belonging to God's family: Choosing to Belong, Learning to Share, Partnership, Kinship

Let's Dig

- What is fellowship? What is Church? And how are they connected?
- What is the vision that our Wooddale family has committed to?
- As a LifeGroup, how are you doing sharing life experiences, your homes, and your problems with one another? What can you do to improve?
- How do you, personally, serve and partner with God's family?
- Read Deuteronomy 22:1-4 and talk about partnering with/serving others.
 - a. Why would God include this in the law?
 - b. How does this affect the way we think about the problems of others?
- Read John 15:9-17 and talk about sacrificial "kinship."
 - c. Has anyone (besides Christ) ever shown you sacrificial love? Have you shown others sacrificial love?
 - d. What does it take for sacrificial love to go beyond being a nice idea, to actually being lived out?
- Read Psalm 42:1-4 and talk about being a part of God's family
 - e. Why is it important to be connected to God's family?
 - f. Do we take the presence of God's family around us for granted? If so, what can we do to change that?
 - g. How does this impact your thoughts of Christ followers isolated in hostile places?

Let's Act

- If you've not been baptized, consider being baptized at Wooddale's baptism party on Sunday August 23. If you are not already partnering with the Wooddale family, try volunteering with one of Wooddale's ministries.

