

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

What on earth am I here for?

“For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.”

Colossians 1:16

- What do people get attached to on earth that keeps them from living for God’s purposes?
- What are the implications of the statement: “Life is not about you”?

Read Colossians 1:16 in as many translations as possible.

- In spite of all the advertizing around me, how can I remind myself that life is really about living for God, not myself?

Read Isaiah 44:2

- Is human birth an accident at times?
- Knowing that God uniquely created me, what areas of my personality, background and physical appearance am I struggling to accept?

Read Ecclesiastes 4:4

- What does the writer say is the driving force in man’s life?

Read Isaiah 26:3

- What does Isaiah say should be a driving force in our lives?

Read Ephesians 5:17

- What does Paul say we should understand?
- What do you feel most people’s lives are driven by? What has been the driving force in your life?

Read Ecclesiastes 3:11

- What is planted in our hearts?

Read 1 John 2:17

- What is happening to the world? What is God’s plan for us?
- If everyone understood that life on earth is really preparation for eternity, how would we act differently?
- Up to this point, what image or metaphor has best described your life? A race, a circus, something else?

In answer to James 4:14 we could say life is a test and a trust. **Read Luke 16:10.**

- What has happened to you recently that you now realize was a test from God?
- What are the greatest matters that God has entrusted to you?
- Life is not only a test and a trust but also a temporary assignment. **Read 2 Corinthians 4:18.** How should the fact that life on earth is just a temporary assignment change the way I am living right now?

Read Romans 11:36 and Proverbs 16:4

- What is the reason for everything?
- Where in your daily routine can you become more aware of God's glory?