# **THE WAKE-UP CALL**

### CHECK FOR THE VITAL SIGN OF LIFE

**GOOD WORKS** are the vital sign of true faith.

We're not saved BY works... but we are saved FOR works.

Lack of action is a LIFE and DEATH issue.

### COMPREHEND THE CAUSE OF DEATH

Does my **REPUTATION** match up to **REALITY**?

What happened **THERE** can happen **HERE**.

Dead churches get **SECOND** chances.

### TRACK THE COMEBACK

Wake **UP**!

Strengthen what's **LEFT**.

Never **FORGET**.

That's the goal of the word of God: to cut across and overlap into our everyday lives. These questions will help us dig a little deeper and make sure that what we are learning is intersecting with our every day lives. They also serve as the framework for discussion and study in our life groups.

#### RESET

1. Read the passage out loud... either by yourself, or together with your family or in your group. What do you sense the Holy Spirit prompting in your heart as you read/hear it?

 Take some time to reflect across your past week and/or message notes. What stood out to you? How have you seen God at work? (a song... conversation... prayer... etc?)

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# 4. In what ways you think this passage applies both individually to each believer as well as corporately to a whole local church body?

## 5. Why are good works such a big deal?

## **DIGGING IN**

6. Read Ephesians 2 that explains the relationship between faith and works... write down any insights that are either new to you or that you need to be reminded about.

### MAKING IT REAL

7. How do we make sure that what happened to the church in Sardis doesn't happen to our church here?

8. What spiritual gifts do I have? How am I using them (or sensing the nudge to use them) to help build up the Body?

9. Is there a specific part of my life that is stuck in neutral? What needs to happen to hit the gas and start moving forward?

## PRAYER REQUESTS

