

LIFEGROUP STUDY

GOD ALMIGHTY: WRATH & GRACE

These LifeGroup questions are structured to allow for deeper discussions following on from the Sunday sermon. However, please don't limit yourself to just these questions, feel free to ask more questions as the Spirit leads. May the Spirit lead you and your group to dig deeper into knowing more about God.

WARMING UP

1. Share with the group one of your ultimate pet peeves AND/OR
2. When was the last time you got really angry? What happened?

A HEALTHY DISCUSSION ON WRATH

3. Define the word "wrath" in your own words.
4. Can "wrath" ever be justified? Why or why not?
5. Read Romans 1:18 - 2:16. Why does God have the ultimate right to demonstrate his wrath to humankind?
6. Why are we all deserving of God's wrath?
7. What do we learn about God's wrath in these passages?

A HEALTHY DISCUSSION ON GRACE

7. Define the word "grace" in your own words.
8. Why are we all deserving of God's grace?
9. Read Romans 3. Which verses jump out to you, in regards to the concept of Grace?
10. What can we pick up from the previous passages read (from Romans 1-3), in light of God's wrath and grace as a dual concept?
11. Why must wrath and grace go hand in hand?
Are there dangers if we separated these two concepts? Why?
How can someone abuse these concepts?

THE POWER OF GOD'S WRATH AND GRACE EXEMPLIFIED

12. Looking back at your own walk with God (either before accepting Christ into your life, or after), has there been a time when God really convicted

you about something? What happened? How did God's message of grace help you personally?

MOVING FORWARD IN PRAYER

13. What's something God has recently been challenging you personally about? Is there anything He wants you to surrender?

Romans 6:22-23 reads "*But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*"

God's wrath and grace is demonstrated through the power of the cross, in the act of the redemptive love of what Christ has done for us. Despite how deserving of death we are, we have been set free from our sinful chains, and this no longer holds us back from walking freely with Christ! This is the gospel message, though we are sinners deserving of God's wrath—He is willing to gift us with eternal life through Christ Jesus, an incredible act of his Grace.

- Spend some time praying together in groups/smaller groups/pairs, surrendering things you know God is challenging you to give up.
- When praying, visualise the act of surrendering that "thing" by nailing it to the cross.
- Ask God then to provide a vision or a word of hope, of how you have been set free. Be encouraged through this act of affirmation from God. Feel free to share with the group or your prayer partner.