

## *Hello, My Name Is...*

### ***Getting Started...***

*Before you start, ask someone to pray for the facilitator who will guide the discussion.*

### ***Getting to Know One Another...***

If you knew you couldn't fail and money was no object, what would you like to do in the next five years?

What is one thing that stood out to you from Sunday's sermon, and why?

Brandon said that we are broken, redeemed, and a new creation. Tell about your experience in those 3 areas.

If you were doing a "man on the street" interview, how do you think most people would answer the question, "Why should God let you into heaven?"

### ***More....***

Read Romans 6:23

So what would should our response be to all those people who insist that they've lived a good life, so of course God will let them into heaven?

Read Isaiah 59:2

Define 'sin.'

Are you willing to tell about a time when sin negatively affected your life?

Read Galatians 3:13. What does 'redeem' mean?

If Christ has redeemed you from the bondage of sin, what are the areas of your life where you need to more fully live out this truth?

If we are truly set free, why do so many of us return to the chains of bondage?

Last week, you were asked to read Luke 9:23 and pray about what it means to "take up your cross daily and follow Jesus." How have you responded to Jesus' instruction in that scripture?

### **Taking It Home...**

1 Peter 3:15 says *But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have....* Take some time to think about the hope you have because of your salvation. Write out a brief statement on a 3x5 card about how you became saved and the hope it has given you. Review it often to be able to tell others what Jesus has done for you.

### **Daily Readings**

Day 1		Romans 3:23-24
Day 2		Hebrews 9:15
Day 3		Ephesians 1:7
Day 4		1 Corinthians 6:19-20
Day 5		Isaiah 44:6
Day 6		Galatians 3:13
Day 7		1 Peter 1:5-7

**John 3:3** *Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.*