LARGE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

10.22.25 & 10.29.25

Genesis (chapters 6 & 7)
"The Consequences of Sin & Severity of God's Punishment"

Lesson Summary:

NOTE: This lesson will have a similar feel to the lesson on sin that Pastor Cam taught in the last large group. The last large group lesson focused on how sin ruins our lives and how we can respond to sin; tonight's large group lesson specifically focuses on the consequences of sin and the severity of God's punishment.

Pastor Cam teaches on the story about Noah and the flood from Genesis chapters 6-7; this lesson shows once again that our sin is a huge deal to God. Even though people turned away from Him, God showed mercy by giving Noah a way to be saved. Noah trusted and obeyed God, even when it didn't make sense to others. The flood reminds us that sin ALWAYS brings consequences, but God ALWAYS makes a way for forgiveness. Jesus is our rescue—just like the ark was for Noah.

Key Points:

4 Things We Learn About God's Response to Sin

- 1. God's <u>PUNISHMENT</u> is <u>SEVERE</u>
- 2. God's WRATH is FAIR
- 3. God PROTECTS the FAITHFUL
- 4. God's WARNING is CLEAR

Discussion Questions:

1. Did any of you tonight, <u>FOR THE VERY 1ST TIME</u>, put your trust in Jesus (and what He did on the cross) to save you from your sins and lead your life? Leaders, do NOT skip this question! If you have a student who took this step, celebrate this in a BIG way; it's why we exist as a ministry! As always, be sure and log this as a "God win" on the App and/or share this news with Charles/Cam/Mary or TJ...thank you!

- 2. Was there anything Pastor Cam taught that was confusing or didn't make sense to you? If so, what was it?
- 3. When you face consequences for something you've done wrong, how do YOU usually respond?
 - a. How might seeing <u>God's correction as love</u> (instead of punishment) change your attitude about consequences? (Proverbs 3:11–12)
- 4. Why do you think that many times we DON'T see sin as a big deal when we know that God DOES see it that way? (Genesis 6:5-7)
 - a. What would need to change in YOUR life to start seeing YOUR SIN as a big deal?
- 5. Pastor Cam shared his moped story-can you think of a time when you did something that seemed harmless at the time, but led to regret?
 - a. How can remembering that situation help you make wiser choices in the future? (Galatians 6:7–8)
- 6. What might obeying God "even when it doesn't make sense" look like in YOUR life right now (just like Noah's faith and obedience in building the ark)? (Genesis 6:22)
- 7. What are some warnings from God or the Bible that students your age tend to ignore?
 - a. How can YOU stay spiritually alert instead of distracted like the people in Noah's day? (Matthew 24:37–39)
- 8. How might your response to Jesus (and His gift of grace) need to change, knowing He took the punishment for your sin? (Romans 5:8–9)

