

Small Group Discussion Prep:

**John 3:1-21**

**Preparation for Sunday Worship:**

- Pray for God to illuminate the truth of His word and apply it to your own heart.
- Read John 3 from start to finish in one sitting
- Read John 3:1-21 five additional times

\*Optional Deeper Study: Use [www.blueletterbible.org](http://www.blueletterbible.org) for word study

1. Identify at least three key words in this passage? Why are these words important to the meaning of the text?
2. Identify the verbs and find their tense (past, present, etc..) and voice (active / passive / middle)?
3. What conclusions can you draw from the verb tense and voice?
4. Summarize this passage, in your own words, into one sentence.
5. Block Diagram these verses
  - Read 2-3 commentaries on this text.
  - Do an in-depth word study of the key terms you listed.

**Monthly REACH Theme:** Non-believing Family Member

**Memory work**

**Book Themes:**

Haggai – Call to Restart the Rebuilding of the Temple

Zechariah – Israel's Comfort and Glory (Prep for the Messiah)

Malachi – Call for Repentance: Waiting for the Messiah

**Verse:**

“Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

*2 Corinthians 5:17*

**Small Group Questions**

1. Discuss the two motivations that led the Father to send His Son for sinners. What most impacted your heart as you considered these truths?
2. In verse 16 we discussed how God's love and generosity towards us should compel us to imitate these qualities. In what specific ways has God's word encouraged you to more faithfully imitate God's love and generosity?

3. How do these verses stir up gratitude in your heart towards God?
4. How do these truths give us hope and encouragement as we face the trials and temptations in this fallen world?
5. How do these truths stir within you a zeal for evangelism?

### **Core Questions**

- What is God teaching you about Himself from His Word, and how is your life different/changing as a result?
- How have you seen God answering prayer? What are you praying for?
- How is God using you in the process of evangelism to draw people up Himself?
- What sins has God revealed to you so that you might repent of them? In light of grace realities, what must that repentance look like?