

Week Three | Puzzle Pieces | 09.12-13.2020

Grow Deep Conversation Questions: Use these questions to help you process the message in your personal time of study or with your group. Time suggestions are based on a 90-minute group gathering.

Message Recap: All throughout the Old Testament we find promises of prophecies of Jesus tucked into all of the laws the Jewish people needed to follow. But the prophecies and the laws were not designed to save anyone. They were only meant to point us to Jesus, the One who would save the world by fulfilling the law and the prophets.

>> Opening (2-3 minutes)

- Introductions this is especially important if this is your first meeting and if there are new members
- Housekeeping clarify expectations
 - Announcements: These are in your Community News email. Please read and communicate! Encourage participation!
 - Remind your group that this is a confidential meeting
 - Remember, there may be many thoughts and views. Please remain kind and respectful during conversations.
- Pray open your time together in prayer

>> Introduction (12 minutes)

- Ice-Breaker: What is the biggest puzzle you have ever put together?
- Digging Deeper: What is it that you enjoy most about puzzles? If you are not a puzzle person, why not?
- **Observation** | Read Hebrews 10:1-3; 11:1-3; 12:1-2

(12 minutes)

- What are your initial reactions to these passagse? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?
- Xey Principle | What the law whispers, Jesus shouts.

(12 minutes)

- Why do you think people sometimes prefer to settle for following the rules rather than following lesus?
- What are some of the rules we like to follow so it appears like we are following Jesus?
- >> The Law Can't Fix You | Reference Hebrews 10:1-3

(12 minutes)

- The law (all 613 of them) wasn't designed to fix you and me, how does this knowledge give you hope and reassurance in your connection to God?
- >>> Grace Always Finds Faith | Reference Hebrews 11:1-3

(12 minutes)

- The author of Hebrews gives us an incredible picture of God's faithfulness. What name from the Scriptures in chapter 11 stood out most to you and why?
- >>> Jesus Did the Impossible | Reference Hebrews 12:1-2

(12 minutes)

What is the impossible thing you need God for in your life right now? What does trusting Him to do it look like?

» Next Steps and Prayer |

(15 minutes)

- What is something you can change in your life to help you shift from following the rules over following lesus?
- Close by praying for each other to make space in their week to spend some quality time with Jesus.

