



Life Group Session #4
Knowing: Part 2 – Our New Life
Scripture Reference: John 3:16-21

Welcome to Life Groups. Take some time to welcome any new people that may be attending the group for the first time:

Note: As always - Trust and Transparency go hand and hand... Share only what you are comfortable with.

Begin with prayer: Ask God to open our eyes to His truth – offer the opportunity for others to pray as they feel led.

Scripture Reading: John 3:16-21 (*Read entire passage and then take a moment to reflect on it...*)

Note to Leaders: As you work through the questions please refer back to the passage as many times as you feel necessary as well as other supporting passages as the discussion unfolds.

Discussion Guidelines:

1. The goal is that each person would personalize the passage and the questions.
2. Try to answer questions in the FIRST PERSON...
3. Engage in authentic discovery and personal revelation.
4. Don't overthink the questions and spend as much time as you need on each question. **Don't feel you have to answer all the questions. Please refer to additional scriptures as the conversation unfolds.**

Questions this week:

1. How would you describe to someone what it means to “believe” in Jesus?
2. Read John 5:24. Why do you think it is so difficult for people to “believe” in Jesus in 2017?

3. 2 Corinthians 5:17 says *“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”* How do you feel and respond when the “old self” seems greater than the “new self”?
4. Read Romans 10:1-13. Based on the context, discuss verse 10 - *“For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.”* ^{NIV}. How do you personally practice these two things?
5. Read Hebrews 13:15-16 and discuss how “believing” and “professing” are connected. Why do think it is important for believers continue to “profess” Jesus?
6. Read Acts 4:1-22. Discuss the passage in your group. What part of the story stood out to you? How do you think you would have responded to the Council?

Closing in Prayer: Take requests based on discussion and needs in the group