



Life Group Session #10
Going In Christ: Introduction
Scripture Reference: Colossians 1:1-14

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: Colossians 1:1-14 (*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. In Colossians 1:1-14 Paul begins by thanking God for the church in Colossae... What was the reason for his thankfulness and praise?
2. What does Paul identify as “the hope” for the believers? How would you describe to someone what your hope is? After discussing Read 1 Peter 1:3-6 and discuss.

3. How might those who don't believe in Jesus express hope? How is the Gospel Message different from the hope offered in this world? Read 1 Corinthians 15:50-58
4. What does Colossians 1:1-14 tell us about how the people in Colossae may have heard of this hope? Read verse 6 and discuss the key attribute in making the Gospel Message known. Does this influence your view on how you should spread the Gospel Message of Hope?
5. Discuss some ways of spreading the Gospel Message of Christ.
6. Read Romans 10:1-17. What do this passage mean for you and the Church?

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