Week of September 5th 2021 - Discussion Questions for Ohana Groups We are Ohana | Alive in Christ

Overview

We are Ohana! God has made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sin. We have been saved by grace alone and not by works.

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: What special gift have you received recently? **Or** What is your favorite outdoor activity?

Ohana Time! Craft personalized gifts or letters (ex. drawings, crafts) and surprise somebody this week to show them you care for them!

BIBLE: Read Ephesians 2:11-22

- 1. Read the passage in a creative way (ex. act out words as you read the passage, ask people read specific verses in unison).
- 2. Paul divides your life into two distinct periods: "dead" and "alive." What is life like when you are dead in sin? What is life like when you are alive in Christ?
- 3. What is "grace?" Create a definition of "grace" together in your group.
- 4. According to verse 8, what role do "good things" (going to church, helping people, being kind) play in our salvation? What role does "grace" play in our salvation?
- 5. God's salvation excludes any human boasting. What can you boast about instead?
- 6. According to verse 10, God saves us to live a new purpose! What is your new purpose as a new creation in Christ?

APPLICATION

- 1. What kind of "good works" has God prepared for you to do? How has God designed you and crafted you to serve Him and the church? What is your S.H.A.P.E.? (Based on the SHAPE Sunday School curriculum)
 - **S**piritual Gifts (What am I gifted to do?)
 - **H**eart (What I am passionate about doing?)
 - Abilities (What am I good at doing?)
 - Personality (What am I best suited to do?
 - Experience (What has my life story prepared me to do?
- 2. How has God brought you from death to life? When did you accept God's gracious gift of salvation by faith? Share your testimony with somebody this week.

PRAYER

- 1. <u>Pray in groups of 2-3</u>: Ask God to help you walk as somebody who has been made alive in Christ no longer in sin and gratifying the cravings of your flesh.
- 2. <u>Pray in a large group</u>: Give praise and worship to God who has saved us from sin and given us the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ!

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