

## FUSION Q's... A New Kingdom 3 – The Bible Outlasts its Critics

### **Discussion Questions**

- Q1. What do you think about the Bible?
- Q2. After listening to the talk tonight, how has your view of the Bible changed?
- Q3. Why do you think lots of people give up reading the Bible after only reading it for a short time?

### **Read Psalm 19:7-9**

- Q4. What do you think the Psalmist means when he says that God's word revives the soul? Why would your soul need reviving?
- Q5. How do you think that God's word gives joy to the heart? Are you in need of joy in your heart?
- Q6. What do you think "the fear of the Lord" means?

### **Read Psalm 19:10-14**

- Q7. When we start to love God's word, it becomes delicious like "ripe strawberries". Do you think you could learn to see the Bible like this? What do you think it would take for this to happen?
- Q8. What kind of dangers does the Bible warn us about? What is the hidden treasure it directs us to?
- Q9. This passage lets us in on a little secret. If we are not reading God's word, it is easy to lose our way and/or play the fool. Why do you think this is?
- Q10. It is always important to think and reflect on what we read in the Bible or hear from someone talking about it. What do you think God wants to teach you today?

## **Bible Passages for Fusion Discussion**

### **Psalm 19:7-9 (*The Message Bible*)**

- <sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect,  
reviving the soul.  
The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy,  
making wise the simple.
- <sup>8</sup> The precepts of the LORD are right,  
giving joy to the heart.  
The commands of the LORD are radiant,  
giving light to the eyes.
- <sup>9</sup> The fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring forever.  
The ordinances of the LORD are sure  
and altogether righteous.

### **Psalm 19:10-14 (*The Message Bible*)**

- <sup>10</sup> God's Word is better than a diamond,  
better than a diamond set between emeralds.  
You'll like it better than strawberries in spring,  
better than red, ripe strawberries.
- <sup>11-14</sup> There's more: God's Word warns us of danger  
and directs us to hidden treasure.  
Otherwise how will we find our way?  
Or know when we play the fool?  
Clean the slate, God, so we can start the day fresh!  
Keep me from stupid sins,  
from thinking I can take over your work;  
Then I can start this day sun-washed,  
scrubbed clean of the grime of sin.  
These are the words in my mouth;  
these are what I chew on and pray.  
Accept them when I place them  
on the morning altar,  
O God, my Altar-Rock,  
God, Priest-of-My-Altar.