

Fusion Q's

The Quest for Eternal Life – The Call of God

What's Up?

Ask the students how their week went. Are there things your students want to pray about? Get them to pray for each other.

Discussion Starter... Would you rather wear the same underwear or the same socks for a week without cleaning them?

Discussion Questions

Q1. What was your biggest takeaway from tonight's message?

Q2. What do you think about Jesus's statement that "Why do you call me good? Only God is good"? Why would he say this?

Q3. Did Jesus seem like he was being hard on the rich young ruler? Explain why or why not.

Read *Philippians 3:7-14* & *Matthew 16:24-27*

Q4. What do you think it means to follow Jesus?

Q5. In the talk, Peter said that our response to God's call is to repent of our sinful ways and to get baptized.

- Have you said "yes" to follow Jesus? If not, what's holding you back?
- If you have said "yes" to God's call to follow Jesus, have you responded the way Peter said? If not, what's holding you back?

Q6. Why does Jesus say a person must deny himself if they want to be his disciple?

Q7. Paul says he has a righteousness that's not his own. What does he mean by this and why is it so important?

Q8. Answer Jesus's questions: "What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?"

BIBLE TEXTS

Philippians 3:7-14 (NIV)

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 16:24-27 (NIV)

²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. ²⁶ What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ²⁷ For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.