



Lyona bible church

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS – JANUARY 17, 2010

Announcements – Please read these to your group!

Please check your bulletin and the website (www.lyona.org) each week for additional information.

- **Join a Life Group:** Our Life Groups are a place of accountability, belonging, and care. We have made it easy for anyone and any couple to join a Life Group. Sunday January 10 marked the date that our current Life Groups will open to new families for 4 weeks. After the 4 weeks, groups will be “closed” for 5 months.

Marks of a Healthy Church: Salvation, Part 2 (Acts 2:42-47; 9:1-19)

Questions

1. What was the most interesting idea or principle about this Sunday’s message?
2. As the speaker went through a list of “Church Counter Terrorism” groups, are those characteristics seen in churches in America, in our region, and at Lyona?
3. What was the DNA of the Church when it was created? Have someone read Acts 2:42-47. What are the basic building blocks, or Code, that determined who they were and what they became?
4. Have someone read Acts 2:45-47. Could this be you? Could this be our church? How can we begin to live this out?
5. Although lengthy spend time reading Acts 9:1-19 together. Why was Saul traveling to Damascus? What event regenerate Saul’s life? How is God’s sovereignty seen through Saul’s conversion?
6. From Paul’s conversion experience, in what ways is/was your conversion similar? In every person’s conversion, what elements will always be involved (i.e.: Christ, faith, grace, etc.)?
7. Do you, after hearing the sermon this Sunday, need to confess anything or repent of anything? What in your life needs to change?
8. 7 Pastoral Prayers:
 - We would see that the greatest problem in the universe is not moral failure but failure to glorify God.
 - We would see that we live under mercy and not under God’s wrath.
 - We would recognize that God has purposefully placed us here for His glory.
 - We would wholly abandon ourselves to Christ and the Gospel (not to American Evangelicalism).
 - We would become an equipping body not an inward focused family.
 - We would seek unity under our purpose/mission and not preferences.
 - We would believe in the gifts of the Spirit and desire them earnestly.

Spend time together to pray through these prayers together. Imagine the impact that our church could have on our community if we would commit to pray these prayers over the next five weeks.

Prayer Requests

A place to write out your groups’ prayer requests

SERMON NOTES

Each header with sub-points is a slide used in Sunday morning's PowerPoint presentation.

Text: Acts 2:42-47; 9:1-19

Speaker: Michael Fraser

Church Terror Cells:

- Bin Sleepin
- Bin Arguin
- Bin Fightin
- Bin Complainin
- Bin Missin
- Lucifer Bin Workin

Church Counter Terrorism Groups:

- Bin Prayin
- Bin Watchin
- Bin Waitin
- Bin Fastin
- Bin Longin

What is DNA?

- deoxyribonucleic acid
- DNA is best described as the basic genetic building blocks that determine who we are and ultimately what we will become.
- Each strand of DNA contains billions of code.
- These Codes determine the specific characteristics of the body.

What was the DNA of the Church when it was created?

What are the basic building blocks, or Code, that determined who they were and what they became?

Acts 2:42-47

- The early Church had an understanding of the implications of salvation or conversion.

Acts 9:1-31

- Paul's conversion is miraculous, but not unique.
- It shows several things that each believer should experience:
 - Confronted with the reality of who Jesus is
 - An acceptance of the Truth about Jesus
 - A change in direction or purpose for life
 - A change in thoughts, feelings, and actions
 - Continued growth

Conversion? Or Assimilation?

- Most of us do not want to take the steps necessary to become physically healthy because these steps involve life-change.
- The same is true for spiritual health.

Conversion/Salvation in early Church was...

- Visible: it was seen.
- Vocal: it was heard.
- Vibrant: it was attractive