

Middle School Life Group

Ephesians 2:8-9

Put the big idea of Ephesians 2:8-9 into your own words:

Outline

1. Grace alone

- a. Grace is freely given from God.
- b. Grace cannot be earned.

2. Faith alone

- a. Faith is a free gift from God.
- b. God produces the gift of faith in us.
- c. Faith alone is necessary to be saved. (Not works)

3. Christ alone

- a. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God.
- b. He fulfilled all the requirements of the law in his life, took the sins of God's people upon himself in his death, and defeated sin and death in his resurrection from the dead.
- c. Jesus Christ is the object of Christian faith. His Person and Work must be believed and trusted.

Answer these as you go:

- What was something that was hard to understand?
- What was a question this text made you ask?
- What do we learn about the character of God?
- What do we learn about the state of humanity?
- Is there a sin to confess and turn from?
- Is there a promise to believe?
- How does this passage address how we relate to others?
- How do these verses:
 - Inform our heads?
 - Instruct our hearts?
 - Instruct our hands?
- What other passages of Scripture are referenced?
- Fill in the blanks:
 - These verses teach me that God is _____ and as a result I will _____.