Connection Group Questions
September 26, 2021
Message: “Grace Alone"
Series: “*Ephesians: Union and Unity”*

“8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—
and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—”
~ Ephesians 2:8

Opening
George started with a story about dramatic testimonies. *What’s your testimony? Were you someone pretty far from God in the past? Or were you raised in the church?*

Digging Deeper
Read Ephesians 2:1-10

According to this passage all of us have a pretty dramatic testimony. We were dead in sin but made alive in Christ!

Verses 1-3 tell us that we were lead astray and disobedient because of three things: the world, the spirit of the air (the devil) and the flesh. How have you been lead into sin by these three forces? How have you resisted?

The result is the same for all people, whether we are good, bad or something in between. We are objects of wrath. What does this mean and how is is connected to original sin?

Verse 4-7 tells us that we can be saved by the great love of God. Why are the words “But God…” the two best words? How does Paul describe our salvation?

Verse 8-10 are simply magnificent! How would you define or describe grace? How might you illustrate or tell a story to help someone understand God’s grace? What is the connection of grace and faith, and how is faith itself a work of grace?

What does it mean to be God’s handiwork? How does this help us to understand God’s grace?

Living It
Next week we’ll get into the works we’re created to do. For now discuss how we can simply live into God’s amazing grace.