



SDG Discussion Guide

Colossians 2:6-7

October 18, 2020

Guideline:

Before you begin, pray. Ask God to enlighten you, to show you where he has been at work and present in your past week through events, places and people. Ask Him to enliven and guide your group in your readings and discussion.

Next, read aloud and slowly **Colossians 2:6-7**. As you can take turns and read aloud these verses again, this time from a different bible translation.

For starters:

Growing up, what did you think a “religious person” was like? How did you feel about such people?

Did you consider your parents “permissive” or “strict”? Why (Did they have many rules for you or just a few? Was there one big rule you still remember?)?

See the following questions that may assist you in your discussion of the Scripture.

1. What is a point or two that stayed with you from the message this past Sunday, October 18, “Lessons in Faith from a Dying Lake”?

2. Ponder and discuss the following words of CH Spurgeon: “It is interesting to notice that the Apostles preached the Lordship of Christ. The word “Savior” occurs only twice in the Acts of the Apostles. On the other hand, it is amazing to notice the title “Lord” is mentioned 92 times; “Lord Jesus” 13 times, and the “Lord Jesus Christ” 6 times in the same book.

3. What does “living in Christ” involve (see 1:10-12)? What does the phrase “rooted and built up” imply to you?

4. When have you felt as if the “roots” of your faith in Christ were barely below the surface? What helps you sink those roots deeper?

5. What convinced you that trying to live up to religious rules couldn’t change you on the inside? In what area are you still susceptible to getting caught up in rule-keeping?

6. As we enter into the eighth month of this pandemic, reflect on your last eight months asking these questions to take stock of your group’s spiritual life together? What’s been flowing in? What’s been flowing out? Share openly and honestly with each other.

7. Turn your insights from the prior two questions into a time of prayer. Ask God to speak to you about what you have learned. What adjustments are you inclined to make going forward?

*These questions were adapted from *The Serendipity Bible for Groups* (Zondervan, 1998).