

# York Street Small Groups

## *Sermon Based Studies*

SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> April 2020

### **Foundations: Salvation**

Romans 5:9-11



**Please note that these studies are designed to be explored after hearing the Sunday Sermon and also to be accompanied by a time of prayer/sharing and supper.**

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## **GETTING STARTED**

**Q1.** What does the idea of being saved mean to you?

**Q2.** Sunday, we learnt about the origin of salvation being a physical, tangible thing (2 Kings 19:19), but also being a spiritual saving (1 Thessalonians 1:10). When you think of salvation do you think of the physical or the spiritual? Why?

## **INTO THE WORD**

**Q3.** *Read Romans 3:23 and Romans 6:23*

Since the creation of humankind, we have sinned, we have messed up our relationship with God and the judgment and consequence of this is death. God offers a gift, the gift of life, how do you perceive this gift? Do you see Christianity as a bunch of rules, or a liberated eternal life?

**Q4.** *Read John 8:36*

Christianity is freedom; freedom to be who God called us to be, freedom from the bondage of this world, and ultimately freedom from death. How can this freedom be lived out on a day to day basis in your life?

## **GOING DEEPER**

### **Q5.** *Read Romans 5:9-11*

The word justified or justification means to be made right, the word reconciled, or reconciliation means to restore a relationship. If Jesus came to make things right, and to restore our relationship, why would we choose NOT to follow him? Why would we choose to live with things wrong, or continue to break a relationship with God? This week, remember that you have a restored relationship with God the Father through Christ, accept this gift of freedom and live a life to the full (John 10:10).

### **Q6.**

If you have not accepted this free gift of life, then consider praying this prayer.

*“Thank you, God, that I can pray to you, I know that I need you in my life. Thank you for sending your son Jesus to restore my relationship with you through Him. Thank you that He took my punishment on the cross, and thank you that He sent His Holy Spirit. I accept the Holy Spirit into my life, to guide, and lead me, to challenge and convict me from this day forwards. Amen. “*

### **Prayer**

This week, let's pray for salvation, pray for our friends and families, our neighbours and co-workers. Let's pray that people would embrace a life of freedom instead of captivity. In Jesus' name, amen!