

APPLICATIONS QUESTIONS

The Son's Grace, the Son's Glory
Ephesians 1:7-12

Theme: God calls us to view our lives from the cross and the conclusion.

The cross defines the problem: our sin

The cross defines the solution: the riches of grace purchased through Jesus sacrifice

The cross defines what lasts: the uniting of all things in Christ

Questions: (for family, for small groups)

1. where do you miss the clarity of the cross about your sin? what terms do you use to describe sin that would make Jesus death meaningless? what specific ways do you need to adjust how you see your sin?
2. where do you doubt the free grace of God? Do you live in regrets? Do you live with condemnation? How can you press the free grace of God into your heart and believe Christ's readiness to forgive?
3. where can you help others see their sin and see the grace of God in Christ? It is easier to point out sin than to apply grace -- how can you grow in applying grace?
4. Do you live focused on your suffering and sacrifices? What would it look like to daily look to the last day and live anticipating that day of glory? how would it affect your view of sufferings and sacrifices? How would it affect how you live?