

# Group Questions- *Holiness: Week 2*

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## *Getting to Know Me Questions:*

- If you were left on a deserted island with either your worst enemy or no one, which would you choose? Why?
- Has adoption affected or been a part of your life in any way? Tell the story.

## *Into the Bible Questions:*

- What's something from this week's teaching that you learned, that stood out, interesting etc?
- How do you understand or define holiness?
- Why do think Adam and Eve ate from the "tree of life"?
- READ: Ephesians 1:3-8
- This passage uses the terms "us" "we" "our" several times; what does this mean in terms of holiness? Hint: It's not simply Jew/Gentile
- Pastor Samantha gave us 3 terms of holiness. Justified, Regenerated and Adopted.
- Justified means to "be made right". What's an example of something being made right?
- Regenerated means "transformed" - changed from one thing to another. If God created us in His image and we are God's workmanship, then why should I be made into something different?
- If then, we are changed, what's the purpose of our change? Hint: go back to the "us" "we" "our" type of words.
- sense, but what's next?)
- Last week you were challenged to intentionally connect with someone you haven't in awhile. How did that go for you?
- Adoption changes relationships. How does it do this with God?
- If you said, we are now a part of God's family, what were we before?

## *Application Questions:*

- Have you accepted Jesus' gift of salvation? Tell your story to your group. They all matter!
- Let's stop making excuses (tired, busy, out of routine, I'm fine on my own...you know yours) for our choices why we don't actively pursue God.
- Now is the time. Regularly participate in a group. Do a reading plan. Tithe (10% is an easy number to start with). Attend weekly worship. Find a mentor or be a mentor to someone...aka be a disciple of Jesus.