

Growth Group Questions 25th June 2017

As usual feel free to pick and choose which questions would be most helpful.

1. How do people you know outside church define what is good?
2. How do you usually decide what is good or bad (please give realistic answers!)?
3. What were some of the wrong ways of 'being good' Dave gave us in the sermon?

Read Galatians 5:13-26

4. How are we to use our freedom?
5. Paul uses strong language here about not biting or devouring each other – why is his warning so strong? In what situations are you tempted to fall into such behaviour?
6. What is the contrast Paul describes in 5:16-18, and are there ways in which you can identify with this in your life?
7. What is the evidence of a life controlled by the flesh? Which of these are you tempted to pretend isn't there? Are there items on this list that you are tempted to treat as less important than others?
8. What is the evidence of being led by the Spirit? Is this list what you usually think of when you think of someone being 'spiritual'?
9. How do you feel about your own life in the light of this? If you think that you are doing very badly in some of these areas what would be some wrong ways to go about fixing this?
10. If these 9 items in 5:22-23 are the 'fruit of the Spirit', what are some wrong ways of going about getting them?
11. How can you water and feed your life so that you produce this fruit more and more? Why do you think Paul writes v24 at this point – how would remembering that our old life has been put to death with Christ on the cross help us to move on into living the new life?

Read 5:13-15 and 5:25-26 again.

12. Is walking by the Spirit something we do on our own? In what ways can we help each other do this more and more?