



Grouplife Questions – April 15, 2018

1. What month did you finish your taxes in? (Heads up! They are due by April 17th!)
2. What stood out to you from Sunday's message?
3. Jerry talked about the rise of the church. What events caused the church to grow and to spread? Read Acts 7:46-60 as Stephen concludes his preaching. Discuss.
4. Do you ever look at difficult circumstances in your life as providential? Sometimes God is using uncomfortable situations and events to accomplish His will for our lives. Can you think of a time when what you thought was a bad thing, actually turned out to be a wonderful thing for you?
5. The rise of the church was fueled by change. How do you personally respond to change? Give an example from your life. How does that play into your life with Christ?
6. How have you seen the church change in your lifetime?
7. We see the early church develop an undeniable love for the world. How do you think we could reflect the same thing? When you think about the church, what do you "love" about it?
8. The early believers faced extreme persecution because of their message. What are the consequences of being called a "Christian" in today's culture? Do you have a personal experience of persecution for loving Christ? Did your faith grow through the experience?
9. Societies from the beginning have created prejudices towards people unlike themselves. What are some of those prejudices we see today? How did (and does) God feel about the prejudices we harbor? Pray that He will remove prejudices we have against His creation.
10. What are you currently doing, or what should you be doing, to help the church grow?