

## Homegroup Questions

### The Gospel Story: Forgiveness & Grace in Christ

*Please use these questions as a guide but not as a rigid one - feel free to let conversations flow as appropriate!*

#### **Icebreaker Options:**

- How do you react when people ask how your week has been? What do you normally say?
- How do you react when you're asked about your faith?

In this series we're going to be exploring the story of the Gospel to help equip us for those conversations and how we can better.

#### **Pray**

#### **Read Ephesians 1:3-14**

- i) Being Chosen

Look at verses 4-6.

- What has God chosen us to be? (holy and blameless, adopted into his family)
- Why had he chosen us? (in love, according to his pleasure and will, to the praise of his grace)

Stop for a moment and reflect together on what being chosen by God in this way means to you.

- ii) Being Redeemed

Look at verse 7.

- What has Jesus' blood won for us? (redemption, forgiveness of sins)
- Have you ever experienced forgiveness, either from God or from another person? Can you describe that experience and what impact it had on you?
- On Sunday, we heard Corrie Ten Boom, how she needs to draw fresh from God each day in order to help her forgive. Do you think that's true for all of us?
- Can you think of a time when you had to forgive someone else? In what way did that experience impact you? Did God work in you as a result?

#### **Prayer Time**

Pray to receive God's forgiveness afresh, for strength to forgive (in general or if any specific situations that someone has spoken of).

You could finish by reading Deuteronomy 7:6-9 as a comfort, assuring us that we are chosen and redeemed by God because of his character and love.