



## **SMALL GROUP/FAMILY/LIFE CHANGE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

**GUIDELINES:** During the Believe series, we are using the Believe Study Guide which can be found at: <http://www.leducfellowship.ca/ministries/believe>. As you share life together, we encourage you to apply what you are learning in the Believe series to Love, develop Intentional Intimacy with God, fully surrender and experience more life. Enjoy your time and let God lead you!

**KICKING IT OFF:**

1. What is your favorite Halloween Costume you've ever worn?
2. What Fall/Thanksgiving traditions does your family have?

**KEY IDEA:** Believe a person comes into a right relationship with God, by His grace, through faith in Jesus Christ.

**MEMORY VERSE:** "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast" (Ephesians 2:8–9).

**GROUP DISCUSSION:** As a group, discuss your thoughts and feelings about the following declarations. Which statements are easy to declare with certainty? Which are more challenging, and why?

- I believe God has a purpose for my life.
- I believe pain and suffering can often bring me closer to God.
- I believe God is actively involved in my life.
- I believe God enables me to do things I could not or would not otherwise do.

Based on your group's dynamics and spiritual maturity, choose the 2–3 questions that will lead to the best discussion about this week's Key Idea.

1. How would you define the word "grace"? What is the opposite of grace?
2. What specifically would it look like for us to offer grace to people who don't deserve it, as God did for us?
3. Without naming names, who is someone in your life who doesn't deserve your love and kindness, but you offer it anyway?
4. Many people find it hard to receive something they didn't earn. Discuss how this behavior could hinder someone's spiritual growth.

Read Genesis 3 and Romans 5:12–21 together and choose 1–2 questions that will lead to the greatest discussion in your group.

1. How did Adam and Eve's decision to disobey God affect all of mankind?
2. How did Jesus' choices overturn the effect of Adam and Eve's sin in our lives?
3. What do these Scriptures tell you about the character of God and His feelings toward you and all of humanity?

**LIFE Question** – Take some time and have each person share how they came to know God. How does your life look different now than before you had a relationship with God? Does your life reflect a Fully Surrendered Life? Why or why not?