

# TALKING POINTS GUIDE

## SUNDAY SERVICE REFLECTION

Talk about your favorite moment from this week's worship service. What scripture passage, worship song, or sermon quote did you relate to the most? Why?

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Choose one of the questions below to answer in relation to the above scripture passage(s).

- What did you notice about this passage(s)?
- What did this passage(s) teach you?
- How are you challenged to live differently?
- How can you apply this passage(s) to your day-to-day life?

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Choose one of the questions below to answer in relation to the above scripture passage(s).

- God made the old covenant with the Israelites, descendants of Abraham. Their connection with God was to keep the law and make sacrifices. Basically "do things." But they kept failing. Their relationship with God individually and as people was constantly disrupted because of their failures. Think of a Bible story or an example of how this happened.
- Which part of the Old Testament law system "haunts" you most?
- Some Christians accuse others who insist on living by the new covenant that Jesus instituted "watering down the Gospel" and being easy. Actually, the new covenant is very simple, but far from easy. How can you explain that?

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Pray and ask God to illuminate his Word. Then, read the below passage(s) of scripture out loud.

*We have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified. For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God. I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!*

**GALATIANS 2:17, 19-21**

## TALK IT OVER WITH KIDS

- Do you believe in ghosts? We're not talking about "Halloween" kind of ghosts, but old memories or rules that don't matter anymore but still bother us. What old rule did you used to have to obey when you were younger that you don't have to obey now?
- Before Jesus, people who wanted to be close to God would make sacrifices so their sins would be forgiven. They didn't do things hoping to make God happy. They did things, like travel for special feasts, to identify as God's children. But when Jesus came and died on the cross and rose again, he said that he canceled that old way of life. Now, we are to love others the way Jesus loves us. How does Jesus love you?
- Take a moment to pray and thank Jesus for showing us how to live and how to love others.



# MESSAGE NOTES

## MESSAGE NOTE OUTLINE

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- *Galatians 2:11-21*
- "Resist the Resurrection"
- The Law of Moses (Mosaic Law)
  - 613 Commands
  - Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses
  - The Old Covenant
  - Civil, Ceremonial, Moral
- *Romans 7:1-6*
- *Galatians 2:18*
- *Romans 7:6*

## MY NOTES

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