



# CELEBRATE



## For Group Discussion

Answer these questions prior to your Small Group meeting this week.

### Check-in

#### LAST WEEK'S ACTION STEP

From the information we discussed the last time we met, what did you apply to your life in a practical way?

#### OTHER POTENTIAL TOPICS FOR CHECK-IN

TIME WITH GOD - What are you applying that you are getting from your daily time with God?

MEMORY/MEDITATION VERSE - State it.

ACCOUNTABILITY FOR - Who was accountable for you? Did they care for you by helping you achieve your action step(s) this past week?

### Introduction

Communion has been part of the Church since its inception. The roots of communion are taken from the history of the Israelites and their celebration of the Passover. In the Old Testament, the Passover celebration was a time to remember how God led His people out of the bondage of slavery. Today, we use communion to remember the sacrifice Jesus made when He laid down his life on the cross to pay the price for our sin.

### Discussion Questions

1. Read Romans 3:23 and 6:23. Paul uses these verses to be very clear about the effect and the penalty of sin. Share with the group when the ideas in these verses became real to you.

2. Read John 1:29. How does the sacrifice of the Passover Lamb resemble the sacrifice of Jesus?

Read John 3:16-18 and 5:24. What do these verses mean to you, and why is this a reason to celebrate?

## Small Group Questions Continued

3. Read Romans 8:1-2. Our own lives show that freedom from sin is possible, but it is not automatic. Share something that once enslaved you, and the steps you had to take to break free. Is there something in your life God wants to free you from now? What is the first step you need to take to move out of slavery and into freedom?

4. Read Psalm 106:21-22. God led his people out of slavery in Egypt, and somehow - after some time passed - they forgot. With all the pressures and struggles of life, how easy is it to forget what God has done for you? How do we get past the things that make us forget?

Read 1 Corinthians 11:23-26. Describe what it was like for you to remember the sacrifice of Jesus during communion this past weekend.

What will you do this week to help you remember to celebrate what Jesus did for you?

### Action Step

Fill in the blanks below for this upcoming week.

My action steps are \_\_\_\_\_

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I'm accountable for \_\_\_\_\_, and their action steps are

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My memory verse is \_\_\_\_\_

This coming week, I'm praying for:

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