



Community Groups are used extensively as the primary vehicle for discipleship at The Gathering and run on a quarter system. There is one in the fall, one in the winter and one in the spring. During the summer weeks we don't meet in Community Groups but we still offer the Growth Guides as a tool to help you grow personally. The Growth Guides are designed to help you dig deeper into the weekly sermon on your own or with your family and are available each week along with the note sheets at church as well as online.

USE THIS GUIDE TO PREPARE FOR THE DISCUSSIONS IN COMMUNITY GROUP.

Consider...

Use the summary and discussion below to review and apply this week's message:

Message Summary

Revelation 13:8 tells us that the Lamb has always been the plan. Jesus' sacrifice on the cross wasn't a reaction to sin, but was instead God's plan for the restoration of sinners. Jesus was the perfect and ultimate Passover Lamb, and in Luke 22:1-38, we see a variety of responses to that plan. While it's nice to talk about and understand God's plan for our salvation, the real question we must answer is, "How will I respond to God's plan?" That's what this week of "The Culmination" was all about.

Discuss

Use the following questions to review and apply the points learned in the message.

- Which most accurately describes your level of planning: advance planner, just-in-the-nick-of-time planner, or what's a planner?
- Which most accurately describes your willingness to follow a plan: "Put me in charge!" "Show me the details!" "Whatever you say, boss!"
- Why do you think it was so important for the Jews to remember Passover? What are some days or events in your life that you make sure you remember? Why? How do you ensure you won't forget?
- How does communion serve as a reminder of Jesus being the Passover Lamb for believers?
- Paul mentioned 5 possible responses to Jesus as God's plan for restoring sinners. We can
 - Work against it like Judas and the leaders in vv. 1-6
 - Prepare for it like Peter and John in vv. 7-13
 - Receive it like the disciples in vv. 14-23
 - Fight about it like the disciples in vv. 24-30
 - Deny our need of it like Peter in vv. 31-38
- Which of these responses have you experienced? Which one would describe you right now?