

4-24-22 Facilitator- New Life is Christ, Ephesians 4 vs 17-32, Tim Rice

1. **Launchers:** If asked, could you define what *sanctification* is?

- What is your favorite thing about sanctification?
- What is the most frustrating part of sanctification?

2. **Worship:** Worship the LORD for His life-changing grace and love

Tim's Worship from You Can Pray With Us is so good. I copied it for us right here.

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3. **Sermon Reflection: New Life in Christ - Ephesians 4:17-32**

A LIFE OF REPENTING

- What is the consistent pattern throughout the ages of people who walk with God?
- How have you ignored the necessity of repentance?
- And how have you missed its goodness?

TRUST GOD TO WORK

- How does faith work – what does it *do* (and *not* do)?
- How have you overemphasized your activity in “faith”?
- How have you underemphasized God’s work? Col. 2:6

CHRIST-LIKE NEIGHBORING

- What difference does it make to be “members one of another”?
- What difference does it make to be “members one of another in speech? in attitude? in actions?”

4. **Kingdom Centered Prayer: YOU CAN PRAY WITH US...**

*1. Worship the LORD for His life-changing grace and love. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that He is committed to completing in us the good work He has begun in us, until the Day Jesus returns.

2. How have you lived without repenting, or as if you don't *really* need God's work to change you? Confess your pride to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and soften your heart to His necessary work in your life.

3. Give thanks to Jesus for His wonderful work to cleanse us from everything dead and to fill us with all of His goodness. Thank Him for being willing to bear your burdens and so freely share His riches with you.

4. Who do you know that needs life transformation? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them see their need to repent and trust Jesus for His renewing grace.

5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love and goodness. Pray that He would work to help you put down fruitless ways of thinking and living and fill you with His love and power for obedience.

5. **Mission: Testifying to Gods transforming work of Grace – Renewal by Repentance**

Take a “transformational survey of your friends and co-workers, family, friends, co-workers.

- **How does change take place?**
- **Is it possible?**
- **Can and do people really change?**
- **What is your role?**
- **What is God's role?**

6. **Jesus From Others**

Close your time together in letting each person share something they came to love about Jesus from something someone in the group shared during your time together.

- What do you love more about Jesus from what someone shared during our CG tonight?