

- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.
- 2) Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 together.
- 3) What stuck out to you as you read? Is there anything you don't understand? Is there anything you'd like to discuss?
- 4) How would you define the gospel based on the verses you just read?
- 5) If you were talking to a friend about Jesus, and the person you were talking to asked, "Why was the death of Jesus necessary?" How would you respond?
- 6) Read the following verses together: Romans 3:23, Ephesians 2:1-3, Romans 5:10, and John 3:16.
- 7) Having read these verses, what else would you add to your response to question number 5?
- 8) How would describe the difference between the gospel and religion?
- 9) Read Ephesians 2:8-9 together. How do these verses destroy the idea of religion?
- 10) Even if we know we are not accepted by God because of or our good works, we often forget this and begin to think God loves us based on our performance. Has this happened to you? Explain.
- 11) Christians *are* called to live exemplary lives, but they do this through faith and the power of the Holy Spirit, not through their own strength. How do you see this dynamic at work in your own life?
- 12) How is God working in your life right now?
- 13) End your time in prayer. Ask God to help you apply the things you've discussed and learned during this time of study.