

FOLLOW CLOSELY

...in Christ's Ministry

SOMETHING WORTH CELEBRATING

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Introduction:

Big Idea: _____ in what Jesus has done for you,
not in what you do for him.

◆ _____! ...ministry is about Jesus' _____ for
you, not your _____ for him.

◆ _____! ...ministry is about what Christ _____
to his people, not what you _____ for him.

Personal Reflection and Application:

1. Take some time rejoicing in the fact that your salvation is by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone. Sing a song. Write a list of all the things that are true because your of Christ's victory in your life. Tell someone else about how Christ has done his work in your life.

2. Do you ever feel the pressure to "figure out" how to do Christ's work on your own? Why do think you feel this pressure? Rejoice that God has called you as a "little child" who contributes nothing to your own salvation or the salvation of others but still invites you to participate in his work.

Gospel Community Discussion Questions:

1. Read Luke 10:17-20. Jesus wants us to rejoice in his victory for us, not our victories for him. How is Christ's victory over Satan, sin and death accomplished? (rehearse the gospel with one another).
2. Take some time rejoicing in Christ's victory by writing out a list of all the things that are true for the believer because of the gospel.
3. Read Luke 10:21-22 and 1 Cor. 1:26-30. Is it offensive or joyful to you that Jesus compares his disciples to "little children" (toddlers and infants) or that Paul calls them "nothing"? Why?
4. Read Luke 10:23-24 and 1 Cor. 2:1-4. What is required of those who would participate in Christ's ministry? What is not required? Why is this cause for joy when we consider Christ's call for us to participate in his work?

Breakout Time

Split your group into men and women to pray for one another and speak the gospel of grace into one another's lives. Discuss any prayer updates and celebrate any growth or answers to prayer.