LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

Saved Without a Savior

Can Anyone Be Saved Without a Savior?

Romans 2:11-16

Additional passages: Genesis 9:6, Matthew 20:1-16, Romans 3:9-20.

Introduction: Pastor John asked the question: "Can anyone be saved without a savior?" We see three reasons we cannot: 1) We are incapable of perfect obedience, 2) We sin against our conscience, and 3) We are saved through Jesus Christ.

Questions:

- 1. The Jews thought themselves morally superior to others due to ethnicity. Is there a specific "high ground" that you held to like this before salvation? How do you see your heart drifting towards that still and what leads you to sinfully trust/rely on those things?
- 2. John warned of the effects of a hardened conscience. How can you keep yours tender and continually shaped by Scripture?
- 3. God has perfect knowledge of our sin and yet perfect love for all His children. In what ways should God's love enable you to love others? How is it going with loving others in your life?
- 4. If God sees all sin and judges perfectly, yet still moves in love toward us, how should that influence our movement towards one another as a part of Redeemer? How is it going with pursuing unity and reconciliation with people at Redeemer? Is there anyone you need to reach out to for reconciliation?
- 5. Why is it dangerous to present salvation as a sort of self-improvement program that makes life generally more pleasant or purposeful? How should the radical truth of our need for new life influence the way you communicate the Gospel?