Series *Sermon-based Growth Group Questions*

May 23, 2021
Titus 3:9-15

Introductory Discussion:

What insight from Sunday's sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Discussion:

1. What are some of the controversies that you are aware of that Christians get involved in?

2. What are the signs that a subject is not worth disputing over?

    a. Philippians 4:8 says, Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, think about these things. How could this be used to guide our discussions?

3. How should we handle controversial subjects with other believers?

    a. Consider that 1 Corinthians 13:12 says, "For now we are seeing through a mirror, in an enigma— but then face to face. Now I know in part— but then I will know-fully, just as I also was fully-known." How should our level of understanding guide our conversations?

    b. Ephesians 4:2 says, "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love." How can humility help us handle controversy?

4. Why should we avoid such controversies?

5. What is a divisive person?

    a. Why are they sinning?

6. Why should the Cretans engage in good deeds according to verse 14?

    a. What would be productive about such work?