

Specific Questions: Text: Philippians 2:8-11

1. Optional - Go to this web page and take a few minutes to search the meaning and origin of your group members last names!
<https://www.familysearch.org/en/surname>
2. When you were growing up, how did your family use/approach the name of Jesus?
3. Do you believe that the name of Jesus has the power to divide? Explain your answer. Have you experienced that division in your own life?
4. Bonhoeffer defines cheap grace and costly grace this way - "Cheap grace means grace sold on the market like "cheapjacks wares" and goes on to say "the sacraments, the forgiveness of sin, and the comforts of religion are thrown away at cut prices. Grace is represented as the Church's inexhaustible treasury, from which she showers blessings with generous hands without asking questions or fixing limits." Do you agree with his assessment of how too many churches approach grace? Why or why not?
5. Pastor Kevin shared that salvation is not a "get out of Hell free" card. Why do you think that we have to guard ourselves from looking at it that way?
6. Talk about a time in your life when you had to place a great amount of hope in Christ. Are you still waiting for that hope to be fulfilled?

GENERAL QUESTIONS:

1. What new concept did you learn from this week's text?
2. Is there anything in the text that you don't understand?
3. How does this text challenge you to change? Is there anything standing in your way of making that change?