

Group Discussion Questions "Free Ride" - Searching for Me August 29-30, 2020

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We come together as a Group with the goal of Spiritual Formation; encouraging one another to become the same kind of person that Jesus is, so that we can live out every part of our lives inside of His Kingdom.

// Bible References

Matthew 9:10-13; Ephesians 2:8-9

// Discussion Questions

- 1. How did you come to be at Flatirons? Were you searching for a church? Did someone invite you? Did you lose a bet? Something else? Share that story with the group.
- 2. What past experiences with church have shaped your relationship with Jesus, Christians, and your identity, for good or bad?
- 3. What has your experience at Flatirons, in particular, been like?
- 4. Is there something in your past or present that you have trouble believing Jesus would forgive you for? If you feel comfortable sharing that with the group, please do.
- 5. We all have ways, even subconsciously, of trying to earn grace and mercy from God. What method do you find yourself using the most? (examples: go to church enough, read the Bible enough, beat yourself up over and over again for your sins, etc.)
- 6. Read **Ephesians 2:8-9**. Why do you think it is so hard for us to accept the free gift of God's grace?
- 7. At the end of the talk, Jim talked to two separate groups of people: The first group was people carrying something heavy that some churches may be unwelcoming towards. Would you place yourself in this group currently or at some point in the past?
- 8. The second group was people who have other people that they care about in their lives who are struggling with something but either haven't given church a shot yet or have, but it backfired. Who in your life would you like to hear this week's message?
- 9. Would you be willing to accept the challenge to ask them to watch this week's message? How can this group support you in doing that?