

# SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

*Shadows: Week 3 — The Shadow of Death — 11.6.19*

**Purpose of Groups:** For students to be okay with and open up about the mystery of death, including concerns, confusions, or fears.

**GROUP EXPECTATION:** no interrupting, be respectful, no rude comments, encourage, what is said in group STAYS in group!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Shadows** — a few expectations: what is said here stays here, phones away, side conversations to a stop for now, let's respect each other...

## **ICE BREAKER:**

1. Start the night by catching up, introducing new students, if your group recently split makes sure you lay down some clear expectations for the newly divided part of the group...

## **MESSAGE REVIEW QUESTIONS:**

1. What makes the topic of death and the afterlife such an interesting or scary topic?
2. Have you ever lost someone you loved? How did you or how are you currently handling it? How has their death changed you? (**LEADER:** you might want to open with a story from your life to open this conversation!)
3. Why can death be a difficult thing to accept and process? Do you ever feel like you are alone and no one gets it?
4. What about death scares you the most (if anything) and why?
5. Recall the story we read earlier about the rich man and poor man in **Luke 16**. (If you need to read it again, read it again!) What stood out to you about the afterlife?
6. Share your thoughts about this question. "Does God send people to heaven or hell or do we choose if we go to heaven or hell?"
7. Lastly, did today's message and conversations help make death more clear? What other questions come to mind that we haven't discussed? (**LEADER:** remember, you don't have to have all the answers! But gauge if your group has a clearer understanding of what is possible to know. Text Robert or another staff member some of the questions that we "missed" or could have addressed based on your response if you feel the need!)

I would encourage you to end that discussion with prayer and then, if time permits, move into Highs and Lows.

**PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAYING AS A GROUP**  
**PLEASE STAY IN YOUR LOCATIONS TILL 8:20PM**