November 14 – 30

Walk Worthy | Death to Life

Icebreaker: Tell us about a time when you realized you were in danger. What made you know you were in danger? How did that change the way you behaved?

In this session, we will consider how we must realize the danger we face apart from God and how only he can rescue us.

Read Ephesians 2:1-3

- Describe the ways in which these believers were once dead.
- What do you think the phrase "the course of the world" means?
- What role do desire and passion play in people's moral decision-making today?
- What danger is there in letting your desires and passions guide you?
- Paul refers to Satan as "the prince of the power of the air." Why?
- Why is it important that they remember where they have come from?

Read Ephesians 2:4-7

- Why did God make them alive?
- What did God do to make them alive?
- In what sense are we raised with him and seated with him? When will these truths be fully realized?
- What difference does it make to you that being raised and seated has already been accomplished for believers?
- What does it mean that God desires to show you the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness? How does this make you feel?

Read Ephesians 2:8-10

- We are saved by grace through faith.
 - What is grace? How does God demonstrate his grace in salvation?
 - What is faith? How does faith allow us to receive salvation?
- What works do people do in an attempt to gain God's favor? Why is it important to understand that works do not save us?
- What is the actual role of good works?

Application

- When did you realize you were in spiritual danger? What happened?
- Why do believers who are alive sometimes live as if they are dead?
- Why are people drawn to the idea that their own works can save them?
- What is your default response to non-believers? Judgmental? Compassionate?
 - Why do you respond to them in that way?
 - How ought the truths of our salvation change how we respond to them?