

BLUEPRINT

LIFE NOTES

Ephesians 2:1-10

October 15, 2017

QUESTIONS

1. In verses 1-3 there are "five tragic facts that characterize human beings without Christ." (1038 Adams and Stamps LSNTC) List some of them, and discuss the weight of them as they relate to you as an individual. How does this contrast with a contemporary view of ourselves or people in general as basically 'good'?

2. Who is the ruler of the air and what affect does he have on people without Christ? Use other Scriptures to back up your thoughts on who you believe he is. Does Paul put sole blame on him or are we culpable (deserving blame) as well? If so, why are we deserving of God's wrath?

3. Many people struggle with their identity in Christ. After realizing the gravity of our sin before God, discuss the benefits of being in Christ. Does it seem that God begrudgingly does this work in us? Talk about the way those in Christ are described, and reflect on what being in Christ personally means to you.

4. Paul is very clear about how someone is saved. Using these verses, what are the main points that you would use in sharing the gospel with someone who doesn't know Christ in a personal way? What would be important areas, both negative and positive, that someone would need to know to come to faith through grace?

5. Read Psalm 107 - a beautiful song of 4 stories of God's rescuing grace. What are the repeated themes for these rescued ones?

ONE THING YOU CAN DO

Every believer has their own story of moving from death to life. Share yours with one person this week.