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Digging Deeper questions for small group discussion & personal reflection

God’s Grace – the reason for our hope

1. Our past (v.3):

Is it a bit strong to say that people who are not Christians are ‘enslaved’ by sin? Can you see that before being a Christian, you were too?

2. God’s intervention (v.4-7a):

From these verses, and using the title of Philip Yancey’s book, “What’s so amazing about grace?”

3. Our future (v.7b)

How does the promise of eternal life help us to hold onto hope now?

Doing Good – responding to our hope

Why is it really important to remember that our ‘good works’ flow from a thankfulness for God’s grace, rather than trying to earn points from God?

Doing good in society (v.1-2)

In what ways should we as Christians obey authorities in our society? How can you shine for Jesus by being “ready to do whatever is good” (v.1)?

How can you live differently in your relationships with non-Christians in how:

- You speak about others?
- You treat people?

Doing good in the church (v.9-15)

Have you ever got caught up in conversations with others at church, that were unhelpful? How can you avoid this sort of thing in the future?

What responsibility do we all have to spot & confront divisiveness?

In what ways can we be a blessing to others in our church? Pray about one thing you might do this week.

How might we continually “learn to devote ourselves to doing what is good” (v.14)?