

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

DATE: September 13, 2026
SPEAKER: Pat Nickerson

TITLE: The Lord's Day
SCRIPTURE: Acts 20:7-12

OPENING PRAYER

ICE BREAKER: What is your favorite part about Sundays?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read the scripture for today

1. How would you defend biblically the idea that the church should gather on Sundays?
2. How did Jesus' resurrection defy Jewish expectations about the timing of resurrection?
3. What does Jesus' resurrection mean for us, and how can we use the Lord's day to celebrate it? How do you specifically intend to do that in your life?
4. What good comes from our keeping the Lord's day?
5. What harm might come from not keeping the Lord's day?
6. What would you say to someone who thought a weekday-night bible study could substitute for gathering with God's people on the Lord's day?
7. When, if ever, is it permissible for a Christian not to gather with God's people on the Lord's day?

APPLICATION

1. What is your nagging unanswered question?
2. What did you want to hear that you didn't hear from the message?
3. How can we get to know God as He is and not in the limited way we do now?
4. Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion. Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life? What does God want you to know or do?
5. What's one thing from this text that you could say to a believer/unbeliever about who God is?

PRAYER

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs and for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

SHEPHERDING

Check the roster and see who is not there. Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be met by the group? Specific prayer requests? Ask for someone to reach out and say, "We missed you."

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE:

2 Corinthians 7:1
"Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God."

REMINDERS

Small Group Checklist

- We suggest you serve 1x every six weeks or so. Discuss ideas.
- Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!!
- Discuss childcare, if needed.
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.

Go through the Announcements in the Bulletin together to see what is coming up at FCC and how you can get plugged in! Here are a couple of those things - all registrations can be found online! www.fccnr.org

FCC YOUTH GROUP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

If you have a child heading into 6th-12th grade and would like them to be part of youth group this year, please get them registered! Links and schedules can be found on the Connect Tab of the Website (then click Youth Ministry). or head to fccnr.org/youthministry

GRIEF SHARE

If you or someone you know is struggling with the loss of someone they loved, we invite you to join our upcoming GriefShare series! GriefShare will meet on Monday nights from 6-8pm starting September 14th. Register on the events tab of the website.

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Ladies 12+ are invited to join us for a 12-week Precept study through Hebrews starting September 14th! Register online!

MISSION MEAL - Sunday, October 4th at 1pm! Register online to join us!