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- 1) God calls us to _____, not _____
- 2) Love _____
- 3) Love _____
- 4) Love _____
- 5) As _____, Jesus became our representative and substitute on the cross.
- 6) As _____, Jesus was sinless and able to bear our sin upon Himself.
- 7) Humility is not thinking _____ of yourself - it's thinking of yourself _____

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- 8) God's part is to guide and _____ you.
 - Your part is to take the next step of _____
- 9) It is God who works in you both to _____ and to _____ for His good pleasure!
- 10) Kill your _____ by being _____, so we can be a united sacrifice for Jesus.
- 11) Be _____ by Jesus.

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- 1) God calls us to **UNITY**, not **UNIFORMITY**
- 2) Love **JESUS** **FIRST**
- 3) Love **OTHERS** **SECOND**
- 4) Love **YOURSELF** **LAST**
- 5) As **MAN**, Jesus became our representative and substitute on the cross.
- 6) As **GOD**, Jesus was sinless and able to bear our sin upon Himself.
- 7) Humility is not thinking **LESS** of yourself - it's thinking of yourself **LESS**

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- 8) God's part is to guide and **ENABLE** you.
 - Your part is to take the next step of **OBEDIENCE**
- 9) It is God who works in you both to **WILL** and to **DO** for His good pleasure!
- 10) Kill your **PRIDE** by being **HUMBLE**, so we can be a united sacrifice for Jesus.
- 11) Be **CAPTIVATED** by Jesus.

Luke 5:20 - "When He (Jesus) saw their faith, He said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you."

Is it difficult for you to think of Jesus as fully God and fully man? Why or why not?

GET PRACTICAL

9) Number 8 on your notesheet says it's God's job to guide and empower you, while it's your job to take the next step of obedience. Is there something specific you need to repent of, start doing, or change in your life? (*You don't need to share the details with the group*)

The flesh tries to keep "SELF" at the center, while God calls us to put Jesus at the center. Is there an area in your life you need to better love God and others in? (*Marriage, friends, speech, work, entertainment, etc.*)

What is something practical you can do this week to prioritize Jesus and others in the area you mentioned?

10) What do you most need to remember or put into practice from this week's message or homework?

PRAYER REQUESTS

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Life Group Homework For the week of September 3, 2023

Welcome to the 2023 Fall Quarter of Life Groups! The following questions will be used for discussion at this week's life groups. Please answer all of the questions before your life group, so you're most prepared to share! If you're not yet in a life group, it's not too late to sign up! They are the best way to get connected and grow spiritually at Open Gate.

MY STORY

1) Looking back at your summer, what was a highlight?

...What was something challenging?

...What was something unusual or funny that happened?

QUICK REVIEW

2) Summarize Philippians 2:1-18 in eight words or less.

3) What stood out to you from this Sunday's message? (Favorite point, favorite verse, questions, etc)

DIGGING DEEPER

4) This week we talked about pride and humility. Consider the following questions about yourself.

- Do I love to argue?
- Do I worry whether others recognize my contributions?

- Am I secretly envious of others?
- Do I sometimes rejoice at the misfortunes of others?
- Am I quick to criticize those who are different from me?
- How much time do I spend talking about myself?
- Do I do more talking than listening?

What is something specific you can do to fight your pride?

5) What stands out to you from the following quote?

“Humility is perfect quietness of heart. It is to expect nothing, to wonder at nothing that is done to me, to feel nothing done against me. It is to be at rest when nobody praises me, and when I am blamed or despised. It is to have a blessed home in the Lord, where I can go in and shut the door, and kneel to my Father in secret, and am at peace as in a deep sea of calmness, when all around and above is trouble.” — Andrew Murray

6) What stands out to you from the following passage?

Philippians 2:12-13 - “[12] Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; [13] for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.”

What do you think it means to work out your own salvation **“with fear and trembling”**?

Do you think it's possible to have an *unhealthy* fear of God? Why or why not?

7) What comes to mind as you read the following description of Jesus?

Revelation 1:11-18 - “[11]...”*I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last,*” ... [12] *Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands, [13] and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. [14] His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire; [15] His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters; [16] He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength. [17] And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. [18] "I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death."*

Do you think it's easier to think of Jesus as someone to adore or someone to fear? Why?

8) Decide whether each passage points to Jesus as God or Jesus as Man.

John 10:30-33 - “[30] *"I and My Father are one."* [31] *Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. [32] Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?" [33] The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God."*”

1 Timothy 2:5 - *"For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,"*