

Pastor PJ Berner • Oct 8, 2023



John 3:1-15 | What's the Secret to Life? (Part 1): Finding the Answer to Life's Greatest Quest

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## **Discussion Questions**

Community Groups meet throughout the week and play a crucial role in our response to the preaching of the word. These groups gather to discuss the following questions as we seek to apply the sermon in community with one another. Please visit compassntx.org to join a small group near you.

1. "Some wish to live within the sound of a chapel bell, I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell." –C.T. Studd

"If sinners be damned, at least let them leap to Hell over our dead bodies. And if they perish, let them perish with our arms wrapped about their knees, imploring them to stay. If Hell must be filled, let it be filled in the teeth of our exertions, and let not one go unwarned and unprayed for." –C.H. Spurgeon

How does our first point about seeing everyone as dead apart from Christ relate to these two quotes? How might we get better at thinking about the eternities represented by the people we interact with on an everyday basis?

2. Read **Mark 8:38**. What makes it often so awkward and embarrassing to share the gospel? What are some ways you might push through the awkwardness to share the gospel anyway? How would you counsel yourself to get over this embarrassment?

3. Read **Acts 4:12**. You've been sharing the gospel with a neighbor who thinks it makes a lot of sense, but they're not comfortable with the idea that believing the gospel would mean believing that their grandparents, who weren't Christians, are now in hell. For them, it's not about the content of the gospel but the fact that it means those who have rejected it are not in heaven, and they're struggling to get past that. How would you counsel them?

4. PPJ started the service by calling attention to the empty seats around the room. Who are you going to invite to church next week to fill some of those empty seats?