

Colossians

Small Group Questions: Part 2: Finding Fullness: Katie Walters

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Reflect

The Apostle Paul wrote the letter of Colossians to remind the Church of some fundamental truths that they were slowly drifting away from. Some of the members of this body of believers had been adopting the attitude of needing Jesus plus other things, to bring full or better lives.

Katie Walters gave us the formula for fullness in Christ. Discuss how easy it can be to feel like we need to “add” to the cross of Christ.

FORMULA FOR FULLNESS: WHAT I BELIEVE+WHAT I KNOW=HOW I LIVE

1. WHAT I BELIEVE

Read Colossians 2:6-7

Katie shared her story of coming to Christ in the most unexpected way, she wasn't looking for him, did nothing to find him, and yet he met her there.

- a. If you've responded to God's love by faith, take some time and share with each other how God met you and brought you to himself.
- b. How can you live from the place of first knowing him?

2. WHAT I KNOW

Colossians 2:7a says that we are to live our lives in him rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith just as we were taught...(NIV)

- a. Discuss how essential it is to know what we believe, especially as it relates to God's powerful love for us.
- b. What are some ways that we can nurture our roots to grow deep in God's love?
- c. How can you as a group encourage one another in this “building up of faith?”

3. HOW I LIVE

We read in Colossians 2:7b that we are to overflow with thankfulness.

- a. Read Colossians 2:13-15 and discuss what it might look like to respond with thankfulness to these truths.
- b. How might our lives look different as we live these truths out?

RESPOND

Paul used this letter as a means of taking the Church back to “first things.” He wanted to remind them to live full lives that were built on Christ and nothing else. Whether we just came to know God, or have known him for years, the heart of the message is this: we are to be rooted in his love and built up on this firm foundation. Prayerfully consider these truths asking God to reveal any areas where you are lacking, trusting that he will bring all the fullness you need.