

# SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Mixer: Share one of your earliest memories.

2. Read Philippians 3:4-15 and discuss the following:

a. What do you think “confidence in the flesh” means? Give examples from what Paul formerly valued.

b. What does Paul value now?

c. How would you define “mature” in verse 15? Do we ever “arrive” this side of heaven?

3. Paul’s new values flow from his identity in Christ (vs. 10-15.) Brainstorm what you think each might mean and how it could be lived out daily.

a. The power of His resurrection

b. Fellowship of His sufferings

c. Becoming like Him in His death

d. Attain the resurrection of the dead

4. Knowing Christ is a life-long process (Phil 3:12-13). How does one know Christ? What is one thing you could do to grow in knowing Christ more deeply?

5. What does it mean that Christ is your treasure? What clues would you look for?

6. How might a person go about determining their values, treasures, or passions? What specific things could help you?

7. Point IIIB in the sermon outline is “God will help us as we consider our values”. What are your current values, treasures, or passions? Homework: Spend time this week asking the Lord what values He wants to replace. Share what you discovered with the group next week.

## WHAT’S IN YOUR CART?

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I. We each **choose** what we **value**.

A. Our **circumstances** have great influence on our **treasure** choices. Pr 13:20; Rom 12:2

B. Our **values** can **change**. II Cor 12:30-33

II. Our **values** provide our **passion**. Matt 6:21; Pr 4:23

A. The wrong **treasure** in our **carts** prompts harmful **zeal** in our **hearts**. Acts 7:58; 8:1, 3; Js 1:19-21

B. When Christ is our **treasure**, His things bring us **pleasure**. I Pet 4:1-2; II Tim 2:11-13

III. The **mature** look at things like **Paul** did. Is 66:1-2

A. **Maturity** requires a change in **cart treasure**. Lk 16:15; Ps 119:11

B. God will **help** us as we “**consider**” our **values**.