

SMALL GROUP NOTES

GROUND RULES

What's said in a group stays in the group.

Encourage others and hold yourself accountable.

Where is it written in the Bible?

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

- In Ephesians 2:8–9, how does Paul structure the relationship between grace, faith, and works—and what specific phrases make it clear what the source of salvation is versus what it is not?

- What does the term ποίημα (“workmanship”) in 2:10 communicate about identity and origin, and how does the phrase “created in Christ Jesus” expand that meaning beyond general creation?

- In Ephesians 4:13–16, how do the repeated ideas of “unity,” “maturity,” and “growth” connect together, and what contrast does Paul build between spiritual maturity and instability (“tossed to and fro”)?

WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ME?

- How does seeing your salvation as a commissioning—not just a rescue—change the way you view your everyday life, priorities, and calling?

- Paul says you are God’s ποίημα (workmanship). Where do you see evidence that God is actively shaping your life right now, and how does that challenge the idea of living passively or without purpose?

- In what ways have you been treating church more like a place to receive than a place to contribute? What gifts, skills, or opportunities might God be calling you to step into?

