



Study Questions: Week 3

“It Doesn’t Matter What You Believe As Long As You Are Sincere”

Breaking down Barriers: This icebreaker is simply intended to help start a conversation. When answering one or both of these questions, ask group members to give some details. People can get to know one another. Plus, once people talk, they are likely to keep talking.

- a. What were some hobbies you had as a child?
- b. What is a different career or volunteer position you would enjoy?

1. Ask a co-leader or apprentice leader to open in prayer.
2. The counterfeit claim for this week is, “It Doesn’t Matter What You Believe As Long As You Are Sincere.” Share examples of how people are led astray in today’s society because of strong influence by someone or something.
3. Read Colossians 2:6-7. Paul says in v6 that we are to continue being “rooted and built up in Him and overflowing with thankfulness.” How are we to do that? How can we recapture that enthusiasm we had when we were new believers? What do you think causes us to lose it?
4. Counterfeit claims lack spiritual value and depend on human speculation, not divine truth. Read Colossians 2:8. What type of “hollow and deceptive philosophy” typically leads people away from Christ today?
5. How can you “see to it that no one takes YOU captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy”? Explain.
6. Read Colossians 2:9-10. What does Paul mean that “you have been given fullness in Christ?”
7. Christ has ultimate authority over all creation. According to verse 10, He is over every power and authority; therefore, we must submit our lives to Him. How do you handle submission?
8. John 14: 6 says, “Jesus answered, ‘I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’” Absolute truth originates in someone, not something. Explain the importance of this statement.
9. It doesn’t matter if you ***genuinely*** believe something is true; instead, is ***it*** genuinely true? Close your time praying that truth reigns in each person’s life along with full surrender to the Lord.