

## Small Group Discussion Guide January 7, 2018

## **Sermon Title:**

"The Savior of the World" **Sermon Text:** 1 John 4:13-16

**Scripture Reading**: Matthew 5:13-16

**Leader:** Please allow a moment for introductions/visiting. Have someone offer a brief

prayer inviting God to speak and lead using the group's discussion.

Getting Started: Do you ever have any moments when you have an experience of

enlightenment regarding a problem that has been troubling you? It's as if the light bulb comes on in your head and you have the solution? (We call that an

epiphany.)

## Discussion:

- 1. Today is "Epiphany Sunday." It is a day we use as a reminder of two important facts:
  - \*We recognize the arrival of the Wise Men to the baby Jesus
  - \*Inasmuch as the Wise Men were from the far east and were of other-than-Jewish decent, we recognize that Jesus has come to be Savior of the Gentiles as well.
- **2.** Scripture enforces that Jesus came to offer salvation to all. Read these references and see how they speak to that topic:

Romans 10:13 Hebrews 7:27 2 Peter 3:9

- **3.** Jesus has done everything needed to provide for our salvation- yet he does not force himself upon us. We must C\_\_\_\_\_ our sins to Him and R\_\_\_\_\_ in order to receive the gift of salvation.
- **4.** What steps might we take to show others that we are committed in our service to Him?
  - \*Come clean with Him (Reference: Proverbs 12:22)
  - \*Say His name. (Reference: Romans 10:9,10)
  - \*Read His word
  - \*Give Him praise (Reference: Ephesians 5:19)
  - \*Share Him with others

**Closing:** Close by sharing prayer requests.

Pray for each another and for the needs that were shared.

**GO SHARE JESUS!** 

