



North Arundel Church
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OUR PURPOSE (WHY WE EXIST)

Our reason for existence is "to make Christ known and to disciple the knowing."

OUR PASSIONS (WHO WE LOVE)

GOD, THE CHURCH, THE UN-CHURCHED

We love God because He is uniquely beautiful, infinitely worthy, and supremely valuable. We love the church because it is more than a building; it is the "body of Christ" and the "brotherhood of the saints," a collection of redeemed men and women who find common ground in their love of Jesus. We love the un-churched because God loves the un-churched and He wants to use us to make His love known.

OUR PRACTICES (WHAT WE DO)

WORSHIP, MINISTRY, MISSIONS

Because we love God, we worship Him (Father, Son, and Spirit) through relevant music and engaging preaching; knowing that He alone deserves our worship. Because we love our brothers and sisters in Christ we do ministry (acts of service by the church for the church) knowing that the world will see our love for each other as proof of our love for God. We engage in missional acts of service because we know that eternity is real and really long.

Our hope is to bring the life-changing gospel of Jesus to those who don't know God, so they can experience forgiveness and spend eternity in grateful worship of God, instead of experiencing God's wrath in the eternal torment of Hell.

A Disciple's Dictionary *Do I Really Have Faith in God?* Genesis 15:1-6

GOALS:

1. To grow in relationship with God.
2. To grow in relationship with others.
3. To grow our groups and start new groups.

FACILITATOR: The questions that follow are designed to stir reflection and discussion on last week's message. Please read through them prior to your meeting, so you can be prepared to prayerfully pace your group well. And remember, a facilitator's goal is to promote increased biblical awareness, as well as individual self-awareness— a combination that with the help of the Holy Spirit, results in revelation and transformation.

REVIEW: What is the current series? Why are we doing this? What is this week's title? Why is this subject important to study?

BIBLE STUDY AND APPLICATION:

- Have you ever known a person who claimed to have faith, but their lives were a contradiction to that claim? Have *you* ever been that person?
- What do our laws, morals, and prisons say about *our* claim to faith?

Read Genesis 15:1-6, Hebrews 11:8-17

- What distinguished this act of faith in Genesis 15:6, wherein God declared Abraham righteous, from his other acts of faith?

Read James 2:14-26

- If *faith without works is dead*, what does that look like? What does *living faith* look like in our lives?

Read Romans 4

- According to this passage, where does our righteousness come from? That being said, why do so many people focus on the law to get right with God?

ANNOUNCEMENTS (*refer to bulletin for details*):

2015 Spring/Summer – The Galatians Project (*formerly known as Rent-A-Kid*)

July 11th 10-1pm – Maturity Class

July 11th 10-6pm – No One Goes Hungry

July 17th 7pm – NAC Kids Movie Night