



context:

THREE PHASES OF SALVATION IN SCRIPTURE:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

line by line:

THREE GROW ENVIRONMENTS:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

application:



study questions

Use these questions in your community group time to dig deeper and discover how you can apply today's message to everyday life.

Text: John 1:1-5 & Philippians 2:12-18

1. What questions or push back did this week's message raise for you?
2. Read John 1:1-9 through together.
 - a. What is the picture of Jesus here?
 - b. If anyone has a study Bible, have them read what it says about the term **Word**. What is John contrasting Jesus' entrance into the world with?
 - c. How do you feel about the word **light**?
 - d. Look up Ephesians 5:13-14. What does it mean to have the **light** of God shown into your life? How would you describe it in practical terms?
 - e. How does that happen in your group or gathering with believers?
3. Now turn together to Philippians 2:12-18 [it might help to have the context of 2:1-5 too].
 - a. Do you see the three Grow environments of **Authentic Relationships, Life Situations, & God's Word** here?
 - b. Of those three, are there any surprises to you?
 - c. Of those three, which one to you think Christ has been using most in your life recently?
 - d. Is there one environment you need to pay more attention to?
4. Tom Wright says of v. 15:

You are, he says, to shine like lights in the world, in the middle of a twisted and depraved generation. You are to be the beacon of hope that they need, the sign of God's beauty in a world that had all but defaced it.

What's your reaction? Inspired? Scared? Expectant? Etc.
5. Pray for one another and for our church family that we would give ourselves completely to Christ and his environments, so that we can GROW to become more like him.