

## ***Fellowship Group Homework and Discussion***

### **Getting Started**

1. Describe a time when you were saved from something by another person. Why were you grateful for their saving act?

### **Going Deeper**

2. Read each of the following verses. For each one, list a benefit of our salvation that is described in that verse:

- Romans 8:1
- Colossians 2:13-14
- Hebrews 4:16
- 2 Corinthians 6:18
- 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 2 Corinthians 5:18
- Romans 5:1
- Philippians 3:20
- Romans 5:8
- Romans 8:30

- John 15:16
- Romans 3:24
- Romans 8:23
- 1 John 2:2
- Romans 8:2
- Ephesians 2:12-13
- Colossians 1:13
- Colossians 2:11-12
- Romans 8:9
- 2 Corinthians 1:22
- Ephesians 5:18

3. How can this list help you to celebrate the baby name, Jesus, during this Christmas season?

### **Conclusion**

4. What impacted you most about this sermon?

5. A key purpose of our Fellowship Groups is to provide accountability. To help with that, discuss the following questions:
- Have you been making it a regular priority to attend a Sunday morning worship service?
  - Have you been faithful in making Fellowship Group attendance a top priority?
  - Are you praying regularly for the members of your Fellowship Group?
  - Are you caring for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of those in your Fellowship Group?
  - Are you taking steps to become more transparent with your Fellowship Group?
  - Are you serving regularly in one area of ministry, preferably in your area of giftedness?
  - Are you maintaining your Oikos list?
  - Are you praying regularly for your Oikos list?
  - What have you done this last week to reveal God to at least one member of your Oikos?

I. The Background of the Name “Jesus”

II. Examples of God Saving in the Old Testament

A. Situation

B. Examples

1. Cities of Refuge (Deuteronomy 4:42)
2. Rahab (Joshua 2:13)
3. Gibeon (Joshua 10:6)
4. Book of Judges
5. False Gods (Isaiah 46)

III. A New Salvation: The Birth of Jesus! (Luke 1:31-33; Matthew 1:21)