

# Cornerstone Christian Family Church

## Cell Group Notes

02 April 2015

### “Saving Grace”

**Welcome:** Welcome all members warmly to the meeting. Make all feel at home and welcomed.

Cell Shepherd: We have been announcing for information of those who need help in regard of welfare, we have received no information from cell shepherds as yet though we find numerous people waiting for parcels on a Wednesday. Please liaise and send through information with Senior Shepherd to admin office so we can plan/prepare accordingly.

#### Interaction Point1

Open meeting with reminder to God’s people that the Father wants to dwell amongst His people. Since the beginning of time that has been Gods desire. Paul’s words in 2 Corinthians 6:14-18 clearly reiterates three promises of God:

- a) First, He will dwell in us and walk among us
- b) Second, HE will be our God
- c) Third, we will be His people

These are wonderful promises but they come with a condition, God says **“be separated from the world.”** This is basically what we have been talking about for the past few weeks.

(Take a moment to share a personal testimony or one you may have come across to minister to the group concerning God’s help with regard to separation. A good example will be how we failed trying to stop doing something by ourselves but then with Gods assistance you were successful)

Therefore allow group to share their own victories or struggles concerning separation.

Round up meeting encouraging the group from 2 Pet1:3 ***“His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness”***

We have everything we need to live a Godly life. Many people think it is impossible to live a life pleasing to God but Peter stresses here that God has empowered us with His DIVINE POWER so that we can live a Godly life. It is not in our strength, nor our will power of but in receiving and co-operating with God’s grace.

Grace is God’s bestowed ability to do what His truth demands. Gods standard of Holiness has not changed, HE is not saying we can sin and the blood of Jesus will forgive us, He is not saying because you failed for thousands of years, I will overlook the “filth of Egypt” , no, The Father stepped in to say, I know you are weak and vulnerable so I am going to empower you. All you need for a Godly life I have given to you.

If we have tried by our will power, we must believe in the power that is released to us through Christ.

Paul acknowledges as well in 2 Corinthians 6:1 that some will fail because we take the grace of God in vain.

***And working together with Him, we also urge you not to receive the grace of God in vain.***

These are people who actually receive Christ but don't realise the potential of the blessing they have received:

The power we received at salvation is not only a ticket to heaven but also empowerment to live while we are still here on the earth.

Take up that power and walk free in the Lord.

**Announcements:**

- 1) Friday Meeting at Church @09h00, transport arrangements as normal
- 2) Please advise cell that there is no Youth Meeting this Friday, programs resume following Friday.