What our Sin Deserves

PASTOR ZAC HESS • 1 SAMUEL 4:2-7:2



WARM UP

What is your favorite cool weather activity?

COMING UP

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Missions Sunday Prayer Gathering Sunday, October 15 • 6:00–7:30 p.m. • MC Multipurpose Room • During this informative and inspirational evening, two global workers will share updates on their ministries, give insight into global workers' experience on the field, and provide specific prayer requests. We'll also spend time praying for all of our global workers.

Car Care for Single Moms & Widows Saturday, October 21 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Warehouse A • We're blessing widows and single moms with a FREE basic car checkup this season! Let us change your oil and filter, plus check and top off your car's fluids. To RSVP by October 18, visit GracePolaris.org/CarCare or text "CarCare" to 614-888-7733.

Trunk or Treat Sunday, October 29 • 4:00–6:00 p.m • North Parking Lot • Help us make our annual Trunk or Treat the best one yet! Plan to park your car in the North Parking Lot by 3:30 p.m. and decorate your trunk to begin passing out candy by 4:00 p.m. Can't make it that day? You can sill participate by dropping off bags of individually wrapped candy at the Resource Center by October 29.

WITNESS

- Who are the people in your sphere of influence you're praying will come to know Jesus or are seeking to share the Gospel with?
- Share any progress/updates. Pray together for God to use you and your Grace Group to influence these people for Jesus.

EXPLORE

- 1 What idea or point of application resonated with you from the sermon?
- 2 What made the Elders' response to their defeat in 4:3-4 improper? What should their response have been? What can this teach us in our own faith?
- 3 What do we sometimes use to try to manipulate God's favor like the Israelites did with the Ark of the Covenant? What is the danger in doing this?
- 4 How do we identify the idols in our life, and how do we lay them down before the Lord? In what ways can we see that God is greater than any idol we may have?
- 5 What is the difference between how the Israelites treated the Ark of the Covenant in the beginning of chapter 4 and at the end of chapter 6? Why does being met with the holiness of God help to change our behavior like it did for the Israelites at the end of chapter 6?

PRAY

Pray that the Father through the Spirit would always help you express genuine faith and devotion to Him, and pray that He would help you identify areas of your faith where you may be emphasizing ritual over relationship.

