

Community Group Discussion Questions  
XFC: Life vs. Death

1. What has been your overall takeaway from this series?
2. How does the statement that God is great and God is good resonate with your current or past circumstances?
3. This week Jim asked, “Where is God?” and “What is He doing?” What would have been your answer prior to this weekend?
4. Jim said God is 1) on His throne and 2) Running the universe. How do you feel about how God is running the universe? What would you do differently?
5. Jim said, “Everything God does is for two purposes, His Glory and your good. Read Romans 8:28 out loud to the group. How could you argue for that statements truth based on your life experiences?
6. Read 2 Corinthians 4:4, 6-11. Have you had an “aha” moment where you felt God shine His light into your life and you believed? What was that like?
7. Jim talked about how we approach life like a child approaches a balloon. How have you seen the fragility of life? Why are we shocked when someone dies?
8. Prior to this weekend what did you think happened when people die? Do you think differently following Jim’s teaching on Hades, death and heaven?
9. Read Philippians 1:22,23-26. What does this verse indicate should be a believer’s approach to death?
10. What would be your purpose statement for your brief time here on this earth?
11. Think about Jim’s story of when his son Jordan had to be allergy tested as a 2 year old. What are the circumstances in your life right now that you don’t understand? What is making it hard to believe that God is good and working for your good?
12. Think about Nancy Goodenow’s story about the loss of her son Zach. Can you imagine anything harder than losing your own child? How is it possible that Nancy can say God has worked good out the death of her son? Do you think Nancy could see that 15 years ago when Zach died?
13. Who else or what else can claim to take something as horrible as the death of a child and work it for good?
14. How should this weekend’s teaching change the way we think about our lives? Our death? The hard circumstances of our lives?
15. Read Colossians 1:15-17. Can you point to anything that indicates Jesus is holding everything together?