



GROUP QUESTIONS FOR **APRIL 19**

Series: *By Faith*

Coaching (Hebrews 12:12-17)

Icebreakers!

1. Who do you trust to tell you what to do?
2. What's a habit in your life that you have to keep recommitting to?

Growing Together

3. **Study Hebrews 12:12-17 on the back of this page.** Circle important things you see, and put arrows by anything that could be hard to understand. What big ideas stand out?
4. How do you shake off and snap out of the discouragement that makes your hands droop and your knees weak?
5. What does a clear plan for you to live out the Christian life look like? How will “working the plan” bring you to a place where you’re feeling healed and healthy spiritually?
6. Our world stops seeking peace as it confuses *justice* with *revenge*. How do you see this confusion in our culture? How must we strive for peace, justice, and forgiveness?
7. Where do you need to focus on standing out from the world in holiness? Where are you most tempted to blend in with the world, in both actions and attitudes?
8. What's your role in helping to shepherd others? How does God call you to make sure *that no one fails to obtain the grace of God*?
9. What creates a “root of bitterness” in us? How do you pull a weed like that?
10. How does being sexual immoral or being unholy prevent us from obtaining God's grace when we might want it later?
11. **From the message this Sunday: what questions do you have? What encouraged you? What challenged you? Where did you see the Gospel?**

Head, Heart, and Hands

12. What's your plan, moving forward? What do you need to mentally prepare to walk well with God in the week / month / year ahead?
13. Is your heart finding courage in Jesus' endurance and God's discipline? What does your heart desire in God that's going to propel you forward to strive for peace and holiness?
14. Who do you need to call away from bitterness, immorality, and unholiness, by helping them see the grace of God and by calling them into that instead?

Hebrews 12:12-17 (ESV)

Therefore **lift your drooping hands**
and **strengthen your weak knees,**

and **make straight paths for your feet,**
so that what is lame may not be put out of joint
but rather be healed.

Strive for peace with everyone,
and for the holiness
without which no one will see the Lord.

See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God;
that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble,
and by it many become defiled;
that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau,
who sold his birthright for a single meal.

For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing,
he was rejected,
for he found no chance to repent,
though he sought it with tears.