

CONNECT WITH THE MESSAGE

Tough Questions 2 - What's the point of life?

- 1) What is the most pointless thing you have done in the last week?

- 2) From Rich's message on Sunday which point did you find most helpful and which point the most challenging? Why?

- 3) a) Rich said that the point of living was to reconnect with God and live a God-centered life. Rich said that this is how we receive 'life to the full' (**John 10v10**)
 - i) Do you honestly think a totally God-centered life would be fulfilling or restrictive? Why?

 - ii) What concerns do you personally have about trying to live a more God-centered life?

- b) Read **Psalm 16v11**, **Jeremiah 29v11-13** and **Romans 12v1-2**
 - i) What do they tell you about what God wants for your life?

 - ii) How can these verses help you with your concerns about living a God-centered life?

 - iii) What conditions, if any, do they give for experiencing what God has for you?

- c) Read **Ecclesiastes 2v1-11**.
 - i) What things does Solomon try as God-substitutes to give his life meaning?

 - ii) Why do you think none of them satisfied him?

 - iii) What things do you sometimes use as God substitutes?

 - iv) What steps can you take to keep God himself central in your life?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read **Revelation 4v9-11** and **5v6-14**. This pictorial description of heaven describes God seated on his throne and Jesus the Lamb of God with him. They are surrounded by representatives of all of God's creation (living creatures) and of God's church (elders). Both God and Jesus are described as 'worthy' to be in the centre.

- a) Why specifically is God said to be 'worthy'?
- b) Why specifically is Jesus said to be 'worthy'?
- c) What is the response of the representatives to God and the Lamb being worthy?
- d) How can your answers above inspire you to a more God-centered life? How can you use them as fuel for worship?
- e) Are there times when you struggle to view God/Jesus as worthy of being in the centre? When? How could these passages help you in those times?
- f) What do you think is the significance of 'laying their crowns before the throne'? (v10)?

CONNECT IN PRAYER

The **Alpha Meal** is on **Sunday 3rd February** at **7pm**. There are only a two weeks left to go so please pray about who you can invite and then step out in faith and ask them! Please speak to Jeff if you are planning to bring someone along.

Please use your **Prayer Card** and pray into the things highlighted for this Sunday. Why not use the card to pray through the week again? Keep it and continue to use it in your prayer for the church.

CONNECT WITH CHURCH LIFE

The **Alpha Meal** is on **Sunday 3rd February** at **7pm** at Prezzo in Lewes. If you would like to come on Alpha or know someone who is coming to the meal, please book in via the website, the church office or speak to Jeff.

We are having a **Prayer Evening** on **Sunday 3rd February** which is at the earlier time of **7pm** to coincide with the Alpha Meal. Please make it a real priority to be there.

The **Parenting Course** starts on **Wednesday 6th February** at **7.45pm**. Please note that there will be no charge for the course this time. Please speak to Diane or Michel Larribeau for more details and to book in.

We are having a **Baptism** service on **Sunday 10th February**. If you haven't already been baptised and would like to be, please speak to Rich or Chris.

Our next **Quiz Night** is on **Saturday 2nd March** at **7.15pm**. Tickets will be available soon. Please speak to Jamie for more details.