

# S M A L L G R O U P Q U E S T I O N S

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**Drawing 101**  
**July 30-31, 2005**

## A N N O U N C E M E N T S

**Book Drive:** The Rock Academy is building a school library and we are in need of book donations.

If you have books that you would like to donate to our library, you can leave them at the back of the Rock Church Sanctuary next to the Share Ministry Box, drop them by the Rock Academy, or call for a pick up. Contact the Rock Academy at 858-467-4787 with any questions.

**Women of the Rock:** What's Your Identity in Christ? Join us as we hear from our guest speaker, Nancy Stafford, this **August 12-14** at Murrieta Hot Springs for our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Retreat. Registration has been extended for one more week! The cost is just \$155, payable at the Rockpile Bookstore. For registration questions, or to donate and help another woman attend, contact Karen Sutton at 619.225.0145 or [karensutton@cox.net](mailto:karensutton@cox.net).

**Opportunity to Lead Worship:** Luv-em-Up, the Rock's ministry for disabled adults, meets every Monday night for Bible study at Calvary Chapel Lakeside. Approximately 50-75 people attend each week and they love praising God through song. Perfect voices and skills are not required. If you can volunteer, even just once or twice a month, contact Bobby & Rosie Yates at 619.312.0174 or [ryatessd@yahoo.com](mailto:ryatessd@yahoo.com)

**Parking Ministry:** During the summer months, many of our volunteers are on vacation. If you currently attend any weekend service, we would love to have you! Help us make weekends a better experience for everyone by lending a hand. Sign up in the back of the sanctuary or contact [garyg@therocksandiego.org](mailto:garyg@therocksandiego.org).

**Tijuana House Building:** Your group can come together and build a simple shelter for a family in Mexico. Put some action to your faith and plan to join us during any of the following dates: **October 29, December 3, or January 28**. For more information, contact Ed Crenshaw at 858.571.3427 or [tjhousebuilding@therocksandiego.org](mailto:tjhousebuilding@therocksandiego.org). (*September 10<sup>th</sup> date has been cancelled.*)

**Memory Verse:** *"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you."* **James 4:8a**

### **Prayer:**

Pray for the upcoming Women's Retreat. Pray that finances would come in for those in need. Pray that the women attending the retreat will grow in their relationship with Christ and one another. Please lift up the leaders of the retreat and the main speaker, Nancy Stafford. Please pray for the various volunteer needs – that the roles would be filled.

**Connect:**

1. We know that Jesus spent most of his time with sinners. Do you spend time with people who do not have a relationship with Him? Why or why not?
2. Share a time when you forgave someone even though it was difficult to “let it go.” Was it as hard as you thought it would be? How did you feel after you forgave them?

**Grow:**

3. Are there any teachings of Jesus that you have problems with?  
Love your enemies (Luke 6:27-32), the road is narrow (Matthew 7:13-14), Jesus wants results (Matthew 25:14-30).
4. Describe God’s character as it relates to his heart towards humanity.  
(1 Peter 3:9, Jeremiah 29:11, Isaiah 53:4-6, Philippians 2:5-8)
5. Review some of the problems we discussed above of Jesus’ teachings in light of what we know about God’s character.
6. What are some possible reasons we do not understand Jesus’ teachings better?  
(Matthew 19:16-22, Matthew 7:1-5, Matthew 7:21-23)

**Live:**

7. Name one person in your life who needs a relationship with Jesus. What will you do this week so they see Jesus in you? (Send them an encouraging note, meet them for coffee, or maybe spend time in prayer for them?)
8. How do you better understand God’s teaching?
9. If you want to *draw near* you must first move. What move will you make this week?