

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

M i l e s M c P h e r s o n  
**Transformation Faith**  
**October 29-30, 2005**

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

**Thanksgiving Donation Drive:** Each guest attending the Thanksgiving Banquet will be given a bag of necessities. We are collecting t-shirts, socks, washcloths, bus tokens and toiletries (new items only) every weekend through November 13. Donations will also be passed out by our Outreach Team the morning of the banquet. Donations can be dropped off after any weekend service. For more information, email [carolyny@therocksandiego.org](mailto:carolyny@therocksandiego.org).

**Altar Call Training:** Do you want to grow in your relationship with Christ and use your experience to help others? Join our team by attending our upcoming training, November 6 and 13, 1:15-2:30 PM, in the new Family Room in the back of the sanctuary. Contact Tracey Olsen at [rockaltarcall@therocksandiego.org](mailto:rockaltarcall@therocksandiego.org) for more information.

**Parent's Night Out:** November 4, 6-10 PM. Childcare and dinner provided for infants-5th grade. Cost is \$20 for one child, \$10 for each additional sibling. Sign up in your child's class, or email [jeannemariieg@therocksandiego.org](mailto:jeannemariieg@therocksandiego.org).

**Pebbles Pathway:** Can you spend an hour a week to help grow followers of Jesus? Pebbles Pathway can use your help! If you would like to spend some time during any weekend service with our children's ministry team, contact [lisal@therocksandiego.org](mailto:lisal@therocksandiego.org) or stop by the Youth Building after service.

**Rock Recovery** is a Christian 12-Step ministry of the Rock Church. Rock Recovery is a Christ-centered, co-ed support group that uses small group interaction, scripture and twelve step principles, for those affected by addictions. Please contact [steveb@therocksandiego.org](mailto:steveb@therocksandiego.org).

**Missions Fair:** Join Beautiful Feet International, the Mission Ministry, November 12, from 1-3 PM in the sanctuary. Meet others with a heart for the nations, and hear from keynote speaker Celestine Musekura of African Leadership and Reconciliation Ministry (ALARM). Don't miss it!

**Memory Verse:** *"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."* Mark 10:45

**Prayer:** Please pray for God to bring a Small Group Pastor to our staff in his perfect timing. Pray that it would be someone who is passionate for small groups, has a clear vision for the ministry, and can provide leadership for us as a ministry.



## Transformed by Faith Series, Part 5 “Transformation Truth”

### Connect:

1. From last week’s homework, did you
  - a. Take that one step towards the personal change you felt God prompting you to work on? How did it go?
  - b. Invite someone to church or small group?
2. In Pastor Miles’ message this past weekend, it was stated that *true transformation empowers you to biblically speak the truth to people, even in the toughest circumstances*. Record 1 time that you did not speak the truth. What internal struggle prevented you from speaking the truth?

### Grow:

Often we fail to speak the truth because we are (a) fearful of the consequences, (b) we feel that we are not qualified, or (c) we are reluctant to engage in confrontation. Read and discuss what the Bible says about these struggles:

3. **Fear of the Consequences:** *One definition of fear is being intimidated by the unknown. Nothing is unknown to God – so trust Him.*
  - a. Read Matthew 10:28, Romans 8:15, I John 4:18, Psalm 23
  - b. What is one “unknown” that you fear? And what would it look like in your life to trust God in this area?
4. **Feeling Unqualified:** *The Bible says it is not you who does the work; it is the Holy Spirit through the Word of God. Your qualifications are unimportant.*
  - a. Read II Timothy 2:15, Philippians 3:15, I Peter 3:15, Hebrews 4:12, I Corinthians 1:18-31
5. **Fear of Confrontation:** *You honoring God’s name is more important than man honoring your name.*
  - a. Read Mark 8:34–38, Matthew 10:28

### Live:

6. Prayerfully confront yourself on one of the above issues, using the Bible as the basis of your truth, and document the change in your life you will make as a result.
7. Invite someone to church or small group.

