THE WEEKLY

New Life Small Group Guide

For groups meeting January 19-25, 2020 DNA #3 - *Send Gahanna campus*

WELCOME (15 minutes)

• **Ice Breaker**: Who in your family is the one sent to pick up things: groceries, prescriptions, dry cleaning, items left behind, pizza, etc.?

WORSHIP (10 minutes)

• Sing "Death Was Arrested" by North Point Worship. Lyrics are on the back.

WIN (15 minutes)

- **PRAY** for people you as a group are seeking to come to know Jesus as Savior.
- PLAN something fun to do together that you can invite these people to!

WORD (25 minutes)

- 1. Read 1 John 4:9-10. God was the One who started all the sending! Talk about what vs 10 says Jesus came to be through His death to provide a means to absorb the wrath that we deserve and serve the sentence we deserve. What feelings of gratitude does this cause in you? Why then are we so easily able to let our concern for the eternal condition of others be ignored?
- 2. Reaching was never meant to be the end and training was never meant to be where things stop. So why do so many modern day Christians treat Christianity as though our responsibility is just to our own spiritual condition or that of just our family?
- 3. Read 1 John 4:13-14. How do we know when we are "going" in our own strength verses going in the power of the Spirit?
- 4. Read John 20:21. Just like the Father sent Jesus to earth where He experienced rejection and suffering, so Jesus sends us into this world where we might also suffer these things! Not everyone will understand when we say "yes" to Jesus' sending mission. What keeps you stuck in your comfort zone? How is God challenging you to step beyond where you feel comfortable for the sake of obeying Jesus' call?
- 5. Can you recall any times when you've felt the Holy spirit calling into your heart to do something? Tell about it! (big or small)
- 6. The reason why we multiply small groups and multiply campuses and constantly push the need to serve our community is in response to a sending God! In what ways is God speaking to you recently to "go" beyond the safety of the way things comfortably are for you right now?

WORKS (25 minutes)

• Break into smaller groups of <u>2 or 3's of the same gender</u> to pray for each other.

"Death Was Arrested"

[Verse 1]

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin Lost without hope with no place to begin Your love made a way to let mercy come in When death was arrested and my life began

[Verse 2]

Ash was redeemed only beauty remains My orphan heart was given a name My mourning grew quiet, my feet rose to dance

When death was arrested and my life began

[Chorus]

Oh, Your grace so free, washes over me You have made me new, now life begins with You

It's Your endless love, pouring down on us You have made us new, now life begins with You

[Verse 3]

Released from my chains, I'm a prisoner no more

My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend

When death was arrested and my life began

[Chorus]

Oh, Your grace so free, washes over me You have made me new, now life begins with You

It's Your endless love, pouring down on us You have made us new, now life begins with You

[Verse 4]

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross Darkness rejoiced as though heaven had lost

But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand

That's when death was arrested and my life began

That's when death was arrested and my life began

[Chorus]

Oh, Your grace so free, washes over me You have made me new, now life begins with You

It's Your endless love, pouring down on us You have made us new, now life begins with You

[Bridge]

Oh, we're free, free, forever we're free Come join the song of all the redeemed Yes, we're free, free, forever amen When death was arrested and my life began Oh, we're free, free, forever we're free Come join the song of all the redeemed Yes, we're free, free, forever amen When death was arrested and my life began

[Outro]

When death was arrested and my life began *That's* when death was arrested and my life began