



THE CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION

REZGROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS WEEK OF JANUARY 8, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Rez Foundations starting January 19th, Wednesdays at 7:00pm and Saturday, February 5 & 26 5-9 pm. Register online.
2. Parenting Course begins Saturday, January 29, 1-3 pm. Subsequent weeks will meet on Saturday mornings from 10am-12pm. Childcare will be available.
3. Rez Women's Ministry - Fearfully & Wonderfully Made Workshop Saturday, January 29, 9:30 am - 12 pm
4. Cross Cultural Justice Ministry Workshop, Saturday, January 29, 4-5:30 pm at Rez

SCRIPTURE - Romans 12:3-13

Discussion Questions

1. **What is Paul instructing Christian to do in verses 3 through 4 and why? Why do you think he uses the body as an example?**
2. **How is a Christian's view of their giftings different than our culture's view of giftings?**
3. **How has God gifted the members of our Rez Group?**
4. **Over the next week, how can our community practically "let our love be genuine" (v.9) and act on it in our giftings? (See Philippians 2:3)**

PRAYER

Officiant Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People **The maker of heaven and earth.**

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Officiant and People together, all kneeling

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Officiant says

May Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Intercessions and thanksgivings follow. Please include the following in your prayer:

Missionary: Dan and Kari Hanlon - Dan serves as a pastor at St Etienne Cathedral in Kigali, Rwanda, while Kari serves at Kigali International Christian School

Persecuted Church and her Persecutors: [Indonesia](#)

- 1. Pray for Christians who leave Islam and are heavily pressured by family and community to renounce their new faith in Jesus. Ask God to give them the support they need—as well as access to a Bible and the training to read it and grow.*
- 2. Pray for Christian children and teens, who often face discrimination and isolation for their faith. Ask God to give them hope, to strengthen their faith—and to know that they are not alone in Christ..*

Global Concern: Unrest in Kazakhstan and Ukraine. The pandemic.

Church Ministry: Those sick in our congregation; RezGroup Leaders; Missions Team; CCJM

*A Prayer of St. John Chrysostom
Officiant and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts
we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,**

and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord!

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Officiant may then concludes

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*