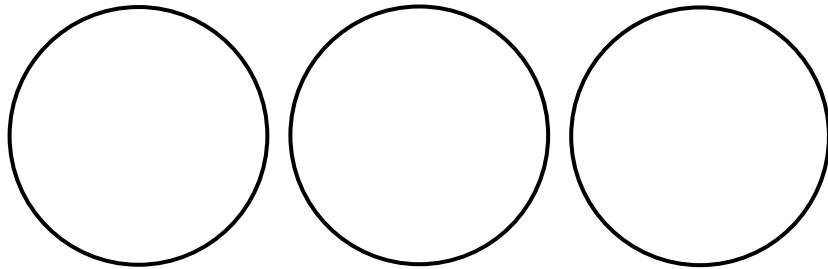


LIFE'S MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION

James 1:22-25; 2:14-26

Matthew 7:18; 12:33; 16:27; 25:31-46; John 5:28-29; Romans 1:17; 2:6-8; 3:28; 4:5; 6:1-4, 20-22; 8:1-4, 12-14; 2 Corinthians 5:10; 13:5; Ephesians 2:8-9; 1 John 2:3; 3:10

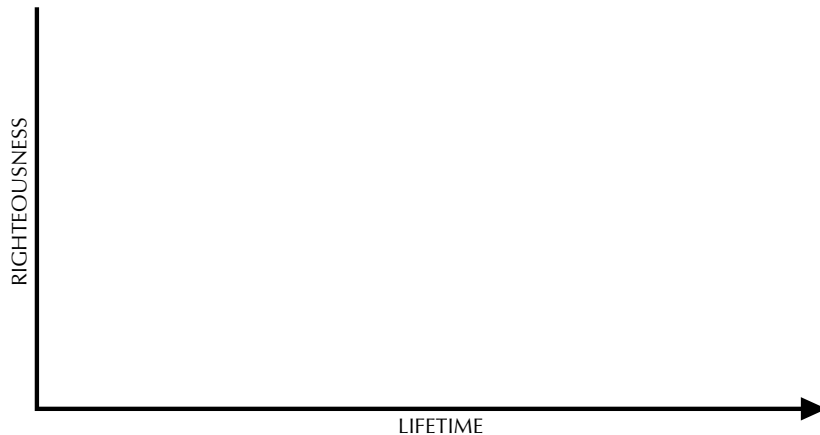


...A person is considered righteous because of what they do and not by faith alone.

—James 2:24

...A person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

—Romans 4:28



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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

1. When Greg asked you which of the three circles (F, F+W, W) best represents what you believe about how to get into heaven, which one did you choose? Why?
2. Read Ephesians 2:8-9 and Romans 4:5, then James 2:14-26. How do you explain the tension between the different teachings of Paul and James?
3. Read Matthew 16:27, John 5:28-29, Romans 2:6-8 and 2 Corinthians 5:10. What do these passages teach about how we will be judged by God?
4. Read Matthew 7:18, Matthew 12:33, 1 John 2:3 and 1 John 3:10. How do these verses help you to reconcile the teachings of Paul and James on salvation?
5. How was your previous understanding of salvation and judgment tweaked or reinforced by Sunday's message? What questions or objections do you still have?