## LIFE GROUP SERMON SUMMARY QUESTIONS

Watch the video summary of the **October 12, 2014 Sermon** (3.5 minutes), "The Great Divide, Part 1." Please read the sermon passage (Daniel 4:1-18) together out loud.

## Sermon Outline:

GOD'S SUPREME GREATNESS IS REVEALED THROUGH . . .

- 1. The signs and wonders of his kingdom glory (1-3)
  - a. When we see God's revealed glory we rightly understand just how small we really are.
  - b. Nebuchadnezzar writes, for the whole world to hear, about the amazing things God has done for him.
  - c. Kings do not reign over God. God rules over every king.
- 2. The decrees and warnings of his kingdom glory (4-18)
  - a. God sometimes interrupts our comfort and ease to graciously set his kingdom in our hearts.
  - b. When your resources to maintain the status quo run out, God is ready to reveal himself.
  - c. When the puzzle pieces of your life are scattered about, stop trying to put them where you want them.
  - d. Trust God as sovereign, submit to his reign over your life.

## Life Group Discussion Questions

- 1. Based on #1, above: We considered the greatness and magnitude of cosmos. Discuss the smallness of man, the brevity of years and your own life's smallness. What is man that God should give any thought to us? (Psalm 8:4, Hebrews 2:6)
- 2. Based on #1, above: What are your biggest concerns right now? Why are they so big? How does God's greatness and presence and power, and the promise of his second coming shrink your great concerns?
- 3. Based on #2, above: When we are comfortable we may be tempted to stop submitting to God, to stop praying to God and to stop trusting God. How is God interrupting your comfort to get your attention?
- Based on #2, above: God has called his people to work for the welfare of their earthly countries. God has called you to live in a republic (you are privileged to cast a vote). God sets up leaders-even wicked rulers--under his sovereignty. Discuss these tensions in your citizenship.
- 5. Based on #2, above: If the puzzle pieces of our lives are scattered, how do we actually come to the place where we "stop trying to put them where we want them"? Where are you in this process? How can we pray for you?