

Questions for We Will All Be Changed wk1

- Are you a person that welcomes life transitions or one that struggles with life transitions?
 - What transitions have you welcomed in life?
 - What transitions did you struggle with in life?
- What feelings come up in you as you think about the transition of death?
- Have you ever imagined what the world was like before sin ruined this world and death entered it?
- Why is it so important that Jesus entered the world in a flesh and blood body?
 - What did his coming as a flesh and blood human being accomplish in regard to death?
 - C.S. Lewis “The Son of God became a man to enable men to become the sons of God.”
- Pastor Keith talked about three perspectives of death from the Bible. What do you find comforting about each perspective? Do you find anything scary? If so what?
 - God taking back the gift of the breath of life.
 - Finishing our work and toil.
 - Surrendering our spirit back to God.
- When it comes to work and toil, what ministries, mission or jobs had God given to you? (Think beyond the usual categories and remember things like your role as husband/father, wife/mother, friendships, and other areas of influence)
- Pastor Keith also mentioned part of our toil as working against our fleshly desires and that can be tiring. Have you found this to be true? If so, would you be willing to share how?
- If we stopped here with our theology of death, we would have a cold, heartless theology indeed.
 - How does it feel to know that the Bible gives approval to mourn, grieve and hurt at the loss of a loved one?
 - How is our grief different from those that Paul says are “without hope?” (1 Thess. 4)
 - Knowing that Jesus knew He would be raising Lazarus, why do you think He wept?
 - Does it bring you comfort to know that Jesus felt the sting of death removing a loved one from this world?
- Jesus made it clear that He was God by saying “before Abraham was, I AM.”
 - What does Jesus claim to be God say about us not seeing death? (Answer: Jesus will accomplish this promise because He is God)
- “If you obey my word you will not see death”
 - Do you agree with Pastor Keith that this is most likely a reference to following Christ? Why or why not? If not, what is it a reference to?