



# CALLED TO RENEWAL

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and transformation in our communities.

1. NT Wright said the following about Easter: “Jesus's resurrection is the beginning of God's new project not to snatch people away from earth to heaven but to colonize earth with the life of heaven.” Have some discussion on these perspectives about Easter. What stands out to you and why?
2. Following the above, now in the wake of Easter, discuss the Lord's prayer where he prays, “Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”
3. Read Ephesians 1:17-23 aloud. Reread it another time. List the six things Paul prayed for the Ephesians. Then have some discussion about your biblical understanding of “wisdom,” “revelation,” and “enlightenment.” How do these differ from “knowledge?”
4. Have you ever felt or believed you saw in someone else God providing an extraordinary measure of strength for a time or purpose? Or has God supplied you the strength to take the next step in the way you believe he is calling you in this season?
5. According to Eph 1:22-23, what position does Jesus have? In what sense does Jesus fill all in all? In what sense is the church the fullness of Christ?

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6. The UCM value of Called to Renewal is, “We seek to cultivate Spirit-empowered restoration and transformation in our communities.” Please take a moment to think quietly on whether or not you believe you really embrace this value personally; then discuss some ways your group might become more intentional in embracing this value.

7. Pray for one another and UCM as it flows from the discussion that we would seek God earnestly toward these ends of His Kingdom, as He leads.

## UNITED IN CHRIST

We are an international community from diverse backgrounds, cultures, and denominations bound together by our common commitment to exalt the person and work of Jesus Christ.

### CENTERED ON THE GOSPEL

In all things, we proclaim and live out the good news of what God has done and is doing in Christ.

### MOBILIZED FOR MISSION

We share the good news and pursue the advancement of God's Kingdom in our communities, our cities, and the nations.



### ROOTED IN SCRIPTURE

We devote ourselves to understanding, obeying, and delighting in God's Word.

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