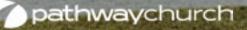
#### DISCUSSION GUIDE OCTOBER 21 & 22

# CHANGERS

## TACKLING THE BASICS



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#### **Opening Questions**

- 1. What do you think people inside or outside of the church think of baptism and its meaning and why?
- 2. Spend some time in your group sharing personal baptism stories.

#### In the Word

- 1. Read Galatians 3:26-27 and Romans 6:3-14.
- 2. When you read the phrase, "clothed yourselves with Christ," what comes to mind. Why did Paul think this was important for the Galatians?
- 3. Romans 6:3-14 significantly ties baptism to death and sin. What does Paul say about those two subjects and the importance of baptism in Romans 6?
- 4. In the same Romans verses, Paul writes about resurrection and new life. What does he say about baptism and these two subjects?
- 5. Take a moment to read Romans 6:15-23. Following up to baptism, Paul details what living as a slave to righteousness must look like. What does Paul say about our lives, righteousness, and why it's important?

### **Making It Personal**

- Provide time for anyone in your group to talk about baptism and if they haven't been baptized, why. Ask if they would consider being baptized and help facilitate that as a Home Team. Schedule their baptism for the coming baptism weekend and cheer them on as a Home Team.
- 2. When you consider baptism and dying to self and sin, what sin does God desire for you to confess to Him and to others?
- 3. When you consider baptism and being raised to live a new and righteous life, in what ways does God desire to be seen in and through your life?
- 4. Spend time in prayer for one another as a group to live lives that please and honor God.

#### **Continued Learning**

1. Read 1 Peter 3:18-32. What does Peter also help us learn about baptism in these verses?

**Additional Notes**