

2012-13 BSP#6 Group Time Discussion

L – Low, M – Medium, and H – High, indicate the difficulty of a question. Group leaders should select questions that are challenging to their groups but not so difficult that their group members cannot answer.

(A) “He Opened to Us the Scriptures” - Questions for scriptural reading and discussion
(Time available: 10 minutes. Do any 2 questions.) 「祂給我們講解了聖經」- 為讀經及共同討論的問題(用十分鐘時間，討論 2 個問題)

1. [M] Read 11:8. If God already knows what we need, why is perseverance in prayer called for? 請 11: 8。若天主早知道我們的需要，為甚麼還要恆久和重覆地向祂祈求呢？
2. [H] What is the “finger of God?” in 11:20? Please find a verse in the OT where the same term is used. 11: 20 中所說的「天主的手指」是甚麼？在舊約經文中，那裏也提及同樣名詞？
3. [M] 12:7 In this passage, what does the numbering of hairs on the head have to do with Christian martyrdom? 在 12:7 所提及有關頭髮的數目道理，與前文所述有關為真理殉道的教訓，二者有何關係？

(B) “Did Not Our Hearts Burn?” – Discuss one of the two questions below for meditation, prayer, and application. (Suggested time: 10 minutes) “我們的心不是火熱的嗎？“為默想，祈禱，實踐”的題目，請用十五分鐘討論以下一條問題。

1. “Take your ease, eat, drink, be merry” (12:19). Some people claim that they are quite prepared to die anytime because their lives have been filled with riches, endless enjoyments and happiness. Given Jesus’ teaching in the parable of the rich fool (12:13-21), what will you say to these people? How rich are these people in what matters to God?
「你休息罷！吃喝宴樂罷！」(12:19)。有些人自覺自己一生順利，事業成功，享盡榮華富貴，常常開開心心，故此，隨時若要離開這世界也死而無憾。基於耶穌在愚蠢富人比喻(12:13-21)中的教導，你會給這些人說甚麼呢？
2. 13:1-5. How do you treat newspaper accounts of tragic deaths? How often do they remind you of your own need for repentance? If they have not, how should you take advantage of Jesus’ admonition?
你如何面對報章上有關意外喪亡的報導？它們有否使你記起自己需要悔改？若沒有，你應如何善用耶穌在此經文中的訓示？