

Small Group Leaders Plan Session 2	
Our DNA: Who are we?	
Before session	
Resources required	
Activity 1	Have each person write their name on a piece of paper. Around their name, get them to note down all their different 'identities,' e.g. mother, wife, daughter, teacher, friend, woman, Christian, singer etc.
Response	Pray for the group as you discuss this week's topic and the course as a whole.
Main discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask: What do we have to do to be saved? Read Romans 10:9-10 • In his talk, Mark said, "Salvation changes our position, our status and our identity. " • Read Colossians 1:12-14 - Darkness and light • What does it mean to live in the 'dominion of darkness?' What does it mean to live in the 'kingdom of light?' • Read Ephesians 2:8 and 2 Corinthians 5:17 – What do you understand by 'grace?' God's grace makes us a completely new creation. • We have moved from being condemned by sin to being innocent by grace. How do we live in this? How do we see ourselves and how do we see other believers? • Read Ephesians 2:3 and John 1:12. We have moved from being objects of wrath to children of God. Again, how does this affect how we see ourselves and how we see other believers? • Read Romans 8:15-17. We have moved from being slaves to being sons. We are now co-heirs with Christ <u>if indeed we share his suffering</u>. Why do we still call ourselves sinners? What we call ourselves is part of our identity. So what should we call ourselves? • You may like to read what Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote about cheap grace vs costly grace https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/423945-cheap-grace-means-grace-sold-on-the-market-like-cheapjacks • Are we living under costly grace or cheap grace?
Response	<p>Listen to No Longer Slaves https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8TkUMJtK5k</p> <p>Return to the sheets you started at the beginning of the session. What can you add now? E.g. Living in the light, innocent, under grace, child of God, heir, etc.</p>