

Small(er) Group discussion questions:
Big Questions for *Little Groups*

Week 1: Getting Started

Scripture Verse: “And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” Hebrews 10:24-25 ESV

1. How’s Life? Share some highs and lows of the last 6 months.
2. What’s God doing: What Scripture passages have you relied on in the last 6 months?
3. What spiritual topics do you want to learn more about?
4. Who has God placed in your life that’s not a Christian or doesn’t have a church home?
5. Who in your life are you praying for?

Week 2:

Scripture Verse:

“For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

Matthew 18:20 ESV

1. How’s Life: What fruit of the Spirit is most abundant in your life? What fruit of the Spirit is least abundant in your life? (See Galatians 5:22 for a list of fruits of the spirit)
2. What area of your life do you see God most at work in?
3. What has been the quality (and quantity) of your relationship with God through Scripture and prayer?
4. How can you share God’s love with someone in your life through a random act of kindness in the next week?
5. What types of people do you need to learn to love better? Are you specifically praying for any of them right now?

Week 3:

Scripture Verse: So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” John 8:31-32 ESV

1. **How's Life:** What's something you are excited about in your life right now? What disappointments have you had to work through lately?
2. **What's God doing:** How have you encountered Christ and what has he been teaching you - through Scripture, Sunday's sermon, people, and other ways?
3. What practical aspects of your habits and calendar can you change in order to spend more time with God?
4. What are the pressures that work against you being able to accomplish this?
5. What has your prayer life been like in the last week?

Week 4: Technology and Social Media

Scripture Verse: All things are lawful,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful,” but not all things build up.

1 Corinthians 10:23 ESV

1. **How's life:** What kinds of media (books, social media, the news) have you been consuming in the last week? How does this compare with your time in prayer and God's Word?
2. How do you set boundaries with your technology (phone, TV, computer)
3. Would people know you are a Christian by looking at your social media profiles?
4. How can you share your faith and witness to others on social media?
5. What things do you tend to pray for often? What things are you reluctant to pray for?

Week 5:

Scripture Verse:

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.”

John 15:12

1. How's Life: What is an idol or a temptation you have struggled with lately?
2. How has God surprised you recently?
3. How have you served others and loved well (or missed opportunities to do so), including serving your church, investing time in your family, helping your friends, showing kindness to strangers, and loving your enemies?
4. Who have you had a spiritual conversation with - learning about their beliefs and sharing your own?
5. What is the best answer to prayer you have ever received? How did that answer to prayer affect your relationship with God.

Week 6: Good Works

Scripture Verse:

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. 1For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:8-10 ESV

1. What role do “good works” play in the life of a disciples of Jesus? Are “good works” optional for a disciple? (see Ephesians 2;10 and James 2:14- 18.)
2. What are some of the things others see you doing that would lead them to know that you are a disciple of Jesus?
3. How can you keep yourself doing these things consistently in your life?
4. What happens in the life of a Christian (A.K.A. a disciple) when they think of others instead of themselves? How does this principle of putting others first develop character?
5. What prayer request do you have that is weighing on you the most this week?