

Mount Vernon Students

Discussion Guide • Week 2

Congrats on making it to week two!

Break the ice with highs and lows or a fun question like this one- If you had to be handcuffed to one person for an entire month, who would it be?

Questions

Tell us a story of a mistake you remember clearly. Is it because you missed an opportunity or messed up? Did you get a second chance? Did you try to fix your mistake?

Do you have a good story of a time you got a second chance? If yes, how did it feel?

How do you think Zechariah felt when he was able to speak the words, “his name is john”?

Do you think he would make the same mistake again, and question the angel?

The shepherds are also terrified when they see the angels, but do they hesitate?

A theme we’ll find in Luke is that the people who shouldn’t “get it” do and the people who should do not. Zechariah is a priest and the shepherds have more faith. It’s not always, as we see Simeon and Anna both praising God in verses 2:21-40. Watch how God uses all people and know He is inviting you to be part of the story too!

Have you ever heard/felt God ask you to do something? Did you do it? Why or why not?

How was it?

If you have not heard, or if you have, how can we better hear what Jesus is asking us to do in our lives?

Prayer time, bible time, worship, community (letting others see it within us and coach it up).

Have you ever had a great teacher or a good coach? Why were they good?

Simeon and Anna were giving Mary and Joseph encouragement to keep doing what they were doing. Coaching them up in their walk with God; teaching them that their obedience was helping all humanity.

How can we be like Anna and Simeon to each other? How can we be good sisters/brothers in Christ to each other?