Ordinary People - Week 2 08/09/2020

At the beginning of your group spend some time allowing people to reflect on how they've been able to connect with God. What kinds of practices or tools are they finding helpful or useful in this season? As things come to mind, it may be helpful to share those with one another.

Ask someone to Pray – ask Holy Spirit to speak to the group and give each person exactly what they need.

Mel started out by sharing that the Latin root for the word ordinary is "rule". She said ordinary means faithful, steady, ordered. Ordinary is available to everyone and allows everyone to participate. How has God shown himself steady or faithful to you in this season?

Read 2 John

Well Respected: The woman John is writing to is well respected – enough to be sent a letter or card from John. This week send a letter or card to someone that you respect.

Loves and Disciples Others: The woman John is writing to, loves and disciples others. How have you ordinarily shown love this week? How has discipleship been a gift in your life? How has your discipleship been a gift to someone else? If you do not have someone discipling you, consider what you would want in a discipleship relationship and then ask someone who is further along in their spiritual journey to disciple you. If you are not discipling someone, pray about someone you could approach. Discipleship can look a lot of different ways, but it should be an intentional relationship that's centered around Jesus and doing ordinary life together.

Able to Discern Truth from Lies: This woman was commissioned by God to protect her house church from people that would try and come and deceive them. How do you intentionally protect yourself against deceit? Who do you have in your life that would be able and willing to tell you "wrong way, go back" if you were off track? Would you believe them if they had an honest conversation with you? Can you recall a time when this has happened? Share.

How have you been inspired to be an ordinary person who glorifies God and desires the Kingdom above all else thus far? Who inspires you?