

## **MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE**

I Got Good News | Week 1 | Good News In A Bad News World

- 1. We started this message talking about all the bad things that happened on day 1 of Joel's vacation to Florida. Have you ever had a vacation go sideways on you? If so, what happened?
- 2. One odd thing we all have in common is, we're sort of drawn to bad news and feed off of it. What type of news headlines, social media posts, etc are you more likely to read...bad news stuff or good news stuff? Why do you think that is?
- 3. Discuss this line from the message, *bad news people repel people. But Jesus was* a good news person and that drew people in.
- 4. Read John 4:7-14. Focus on the woman at the well. What sort of bad news or situations can we assume this woman faced in her life?
- 5. Jesus didn't shame the woman at the well, instead he asked to share a drink with her. Why is this surprising, what do you think it symbolizes and how's that good news for us?
- 6. Discuss this quote from the message, *Jesus was never afraid to 'cross the line' to meet people in surprising ways. & He can do that for you. That's what our church will do for Rehoboth. & that's what we should do for the people in our lives.*
- 7. Have you ever gotten stuck in a bad news loop where you put negativity on repeat in your mind? What sort of situations seem to trigger this for you?
- 8. Discuss this quote from the message, the bad news of sin is worse than most people thing, but the good news of Jesus is way better than anyone can imagine.
- 9. What do you remember about the cup, dirt, spoon, & pitcher of fresh water illustration? How can we practically apply the meaning of that in our lives?
- 10. Read Psalms 103:1-5. After verse 5, the author spends the next 18 verses *reminding himself* the benefits and good news we have when we follow God. How can we remind ourself of those same things & why is that so important?
- 11. What's your one takeaway from this message and/or conversation?