

Questions for eGroup Discussion

Slowing Down Enough to Savor

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How to Use This Guide in a Group Setting

Group Participants: Review your notes from the message and ask the Holy Spirit to continue to speak to you about your life. Come to eGroup prepared to participate. Watch the message online if you missed it live.

Group Leaders: Give everyone the chance to share, focusing on the questions that connect most with your group. Don't feel you must answer every question. If someone missed the message, allow time for others to fill them in on the main points and highlights.

Getting Started

Describe someone you'd consider to be a "close friend" ... either currently or at some point in your life.

What are some of the things the two of you did – or are doing -- to cultivate and deepen this relationship.

Embrace the Gospel

In our eGroup discussion guides, we're utilizing a simple structure for studying the Bible together, based on the acronym S.O.A.P. ...

Spirit: *Invite The Holy Spirit To Speak To You and To Guide Your Discussion*

Begin by praying and inviting the Spirit's activity into your discussion and application of God's Word.

Observation: *What Does This Passage Say?*

Read Luke 10:38-42 aloud two or three times, in a couple of different Bible translations, if possible.

What stands out to you from these verses (in terms of words, phrases, themes, personalities, interactions, etc.), or stood out to you from this week's message by Pastor Alan on these verses?

What questions do they raise, surprises do they contain, or impact do they have on you?

Flowing out of these verses, how did the experience of guided prayer by Pastor Alan in worship connect with you and help you to experience God more fully?

In your own words, summarize how Martha and Mary are different.

Embrace the Gospel Continued

How do their differences ...

... influence their relationship with Jesus?

... influence Jesus' response to each of them?

With which sister do you relate the most, and why?

In these verses, what specific things did Mary do that Jesus said were "better" than what Martha did? How do you feel about this?

Application: *What Is God Saying To Me?*

How easy/hard is it for you to take time to delight in Jesus? Why is that?

How well are you leveraging a sabbath rhythm in your life in order to cultivate delight?

How can you be more intentional in developing a sabbath rhythm, and address things that might be interferences? Be specific.

Experience the Spirit

Prayer: *Ask For God's Help In Living Out His Word*

Begin by praying for specific issues and spiritual stirrings that have occurred because of this weekend's message and eGroup discussion, perhaps sharing and following-up on the Spirit's movement in the guided prayer time in worship.

When done praying for these things, spend time praying for general needs and concerns for one another.

Engage in Mission

It's our desire that every individual and eGroup at Christ Community compassionately moves toward people who are lost, needy, and broken, demonstrating the love of Jesus in highly relational ways.

If you've not done so in a while, pause and discuss how you're seeing this vision lived out through you as individuals and/or as an eGroup.

Who are the people with whom you're in relationship that are experiencing Jesus through you, and what are the ways you're seeking to demonstrate His love in life-giving ways? If there are specific people you're connecting with, or involvements you're engaged in, spend some time praying for them, responding to the Spirit's promptings in terms of next-steps and opportunities for deeper levels of connection.



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