



Small Group Discussion Questions
Following the Weekend of October 24-25, 2020
Please don't feel you have to answer every question.

A Spiritual Blindspot
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Icebreaker

If you knew today was the last chance you'd have to speak your heart on the issues most important to you, what would you say and to whom would you say it?

What if you were given this opportunity for 60 seconds on the national evening news?

Group Interaction & Application

Slowly read aloud Isaiah 58:1-14.

What stands out to you from these verses, or creates some tension or intrigue for you?

What uniquely spoke to you from Pastor Alan's message on these verses, raised some questions, or perhaps created some push-back for you?

Look again at verses 1-3a.

Why are the people complaining, and what does this reveal about their relationship with God?

What aspect of God's heart were they missing?

Read Isaiah 1:15-17 and Micah 6:6-8.

In all of these passages, including Isaiah 58, what is God desiring from His people?

How does God's definition of justice in these passages compare/contrast with our typical understanding of God's justice?

Why do you think God is so clearly on the side of the vulnerable in a society? How does that connect with the idea of "justice?"

How do you feel about the phrase "social justice" and why?

Read verse 12 again, where God summarizes His heart and vision for His people.

What broken walls around you need repaired? What issues in our community and nation need repaired?

What keeps us from moving toward these issues?

Read Isaiah 1:17-19.

What would it look like for a person to invite Jesus into these places of fear, self-centeredness, spiritual blindness, etc.?

What is God stirring in your heart through this week's message and group discussion?

What might He be inviting you to do with these stirrings in terms of a response?

Conclude by praying for one another in applying this week's insights and Spirit-promptings, as well as for general needs and concerns.