Group Guide 10/04/20 – 10/10/20

Getting Started Questions (choose 1 or 2 to discuss):

- 1. What is an autocorrect fail that you have had?
- 2. What hobby have you always dreamed of doing but have never had the time, energy or finances to do it?
- **3.** What is your first memory as a child?
- 4. What is the scariest thing that you have ever done?

Personal Growth:

- 3. What is something that you learned in your personal devotional time this past week?
- 4. How do you feel you have grown the most in your faith this past year?

Message Review:

- 5. What faith step(s) did God reveal to you last week?
- 6. Were you able to take your step(s)? Why or why not?
- 7. What either helped you take your steps or kept you from taking your steps?

Message Discussion:

8. What are some expectations that you have about your:

- a. Relationship with God?
- b. Family?
- c. Spouse/significant other (if in a relationship)?
- d. Children (if you have children)?
- e. Work?
- f. Friendships?
- g. Future?
- 9. Do you think those expectations are from God, or do you think you've created them?
- 10. What would happen if those expectations were not met? How would that impact your life?
- 11. How can a trust in God help you to embrace the unexpected?
- 12. What do you know to be true of God that can help you have faith in Him while in this process?
- 13. How can the group be praying for you in this area?

Take Home:

14. Write out a list of common expectations that you have for your life (i.e. my church must always meet my needs; my children will get straight "A's"; my spouse will never upset me; I will be the next person to get a promotion at my job, etc.).

Leader Take:

- Prior to group, take some time to read 1 and 2 Samuel.
- Write down some answers about how God has personally helped you with your expectations in life.
- Please dedicate some time before group to read through the questions so that you have a clear direction of where to lead the discussion.
- Pray for your group.
- Check in with each group member 2-3 days after your group meets and see how their "take home" is coming along.