

All About the Heart

January 11th, 2017

Do your best to keep all of your answers to about 30-60 seconds. Please be respectful in listening to others and in honoring their time.

- Proverbs 27:17 As iron sharpens iron, so friends keep each other sharp.
- Romans 12:10 Show family affection to one another with brotherly love. Outdo one another in showing honor.
- 1. Introduce yourself including your: name, city where you live, and a "10-second tell" about how you got connected to River of Life.
- 2. What would make 2017 the Best Year for you? In other words, what would you like to get out of this 6-week study?
 - Maybe you'd like your relationship with God to improve, or your devotional times, or your marriage to be closer, or your business to turn around, or to gain more skills in parenting, etc.
- 3. What would be the most likely thing to hinder you from coming for the next 5 weeks? and what can you do to remove that obstacle?
 - Maybe it's not knowing anyone here, being uncomfortable in groups, not being a "bible" person or being unsure of this God stuff, maybe it's a family member that isn't supportive, maybe it's schedule conflicts, etc.
- 4. Where do you see a connection between forgiveness and giving in your life?
- 5. In what area of your life do you feel you most need to deal with a selfish or grieving heart? (Take a little more time on this if you need to; this is where growth happens.)
 - Maybe it's in the time that you give to others, or kinds words, perhaps it is your finances or resources you have, maybe it's an attitude that does not rejoice when others are blessed, maybe after you give you want something in return or acknowledgment or answers to prayer, etc.
 - Remember you cannot stop the thoughts, but you can decide how to respond. What is one thing you can choose to give in order to combat this area of selfishness in your life?
- 6. If people described you in one word, what would you want that word to be?
 - How can developing a generous heart help you become more like Christ?
 - Can you think of an area where you need to enact the "golden rule" (Lk 6:31)
 where you need to be generous with someone without expecting anything back in return. What would it look like to live that out?
- 7. What are you most grateful to God for in your life?