

Message Devotional & Discussion Questions 1/21/2024

MESSAGE: Lost Friends WEEK#3

SERIES: What If?

COMMUNICATOR: Pastor Kevin

CHECKIN' IN: How is your week? What was one of the highlights? Share wins (things God did that moved his mission forward and you closer to Jesus). What did you put into

practice from last week's Devotional & Discussion?

THINK, DISCUSS, LIVE: These questions work well individually or in a group setting to encourage spiritual growth, engage in biblical community and live it in the world around you.

- 1. Where do you find yourself on the Venn diagram? Which area are you strongest and which one/s do you find yourself needing to implement more into your life? Why do you think this?
- 2. Read John 10:10. We see Jesus' life purpose...what would you say is your life purpose?
- 3. What are three life examples that Jesus reveals about Himself that we need to follow? Why is the one you shared important to you?
- 4. Your faith will not grow on your own. You and I need each other to help us grow closer and more like Jesus. Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Why or why not?
- 5. Do your friends love Jesus more because you are their friend? Do you love Jesus more because of your friends? What is one example?
- 6. Read Luke 19:10 and John 17:18 Do you believe this is our purpose as well? Why or why not? Who is Jesus sending to the lost world?
- 7. We see in John 15:18-20 That we are to be in the world but not of the world? How do you interpret these verses in real life? Do you find there is a tension between being "in and not of" this world? How do you resolve this tension for yourself?
- 8. Read Philippians 2:4-5. What are some examples of Jesus living this truth? Has someone lived this truth in your life this week? How did they live it? How can you reflect this truth in the lives of those around you? Try to be specific.
- 9. Read Matthew 5:13-16. What are some of the benefits of salt and light? Can salt and or light be too much? Give examples. Who is Jesus calling salt in light? Is this an option?
- 10.Looking again at verse 16...How does shining the light of Jesus in the lives of those around us become an expression of worship to God?
- 11.**TRUTH DEMANDS A RESPONSE!** What is <u>one</u> action step you will take this week in response to our discussion or nudge from the Holy Spirit? Be specific.

2024 TRANSFORMATION CHALLENGE: We have created some resources to help you grow. Check out the *Experience God* page. Go to **canvas.church/experience-god** or



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Experience God on the Canvas App., read the "Make Me Better" section, start a new discipline, try a new Bible engagement tool, or help someone go further on their faith journey. Let us know how it's going.

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP PRAYER OPTIONS:

- Prayer Question: "What's going on in our lives that we can involve Jesus?"
- **Ask:** What was one praise and one challenge you experienced this week? Celebrate the praises and pray for the challenges.
- **Ask** if anyone has a need or knows of a need, you can also offer "unspoken" prayer requests.
- **Pray for the person on your right,** it can be out loud or in silence, if in silence nudge the person next to you letting them know you are done.
- **Prayer Clusters:** Groups of two or three (by gender) and share your week together. Pray together and for each other. Send them a text, or leave a message letting them know you have prayed for them this week.
- Have someone in your group keep an active list of the requests and the answers for both the updates and to celebrate the answers.

Are you interested in the Bible and in helping Life Groups benefit from the weekend message? We have a team for you! Canvas members like you create these discussion guides each week. If you are interested in joining the team, please email rickz@canvas.church