



Talking through the weekly message helps you turn information into application. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you make the next move.

City Group Icebreaker: Questions to Get You Talking

- What are you looking ahead to or for Christmas, 2020, the next decade?

Key Scriptures: 8 *When they heard the sound of God strolling in the garden in the evening breeze, the Man and his Wife hid in the trees of the garden, hid from God.* 9 *God called to the Man: "Where are you?"* 10 *He said, "I heard you in the garden and I was afraid because I was naked. And I hid."* 11 *God said, "Who told you you were naked? Did you eat from that tree I told you not to eat from?"* 12 *The Man said, "The Woman you gave me as a companion, she gave me fruit from the tree, and, yes, I ate it."* *God said to the Woman, "What is this that you've done?"* 13 *"The serpent seduced me," she said, "and I ate."* 14-15 *God told the serpent: "Because you've done this, you're cursed, cursed beyond all cattle and wild animals, Cursed to slink on your belly and eat dirt all your life. I'm declaring war between you and the Woman, between your offspring and hers. He'll wound your head, you'll wound his heel."* **Genesis 3:8-15**

MTG Scriptures: Read **Genesis 3** in its entirety.

Big Idea of the Message: God's people have been called to wait and trust God since the beginning of the story.

Message Study: The Essential Questions

- What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
- Why do you think it's so significant that God introduces a promise so early in the Bible?
- What does that teach us about God's character and our seasons of waiting?
- Why do you think we avoid waiting in so many ways—what makes it so frustrating or difficult, even in small doses?
- What's one thing you will do this week as a result of something you learned from this message?

Move Up. Connect to Christ

- How does knowing that God has a plan when we don't know which way to go help you love God with all your heart, mind, and soul?
- How does God's promises help you remain connected to Christ through even the toughest trials?

Start Praying. *Lord, deepen my love of You and as I can better express Your love to ____ change me. I want to better express Your love to ____*

Move Out. Connect to Culture.

- Releasing control draws us into a deeper place of trust. What needs to be released this week in order to love your near ones as yourself?
- What matters to us, matters even more to God. Do the matters of your heart line up with moving out?

Start Praying. *Lord Jesus, I want to join You in better loving my neighbors. Teach me, as the God who is love, to better share Your love with ____*

Move In. Connect Culture to Christ.

- Do you expect God to use you in making disciples? How do your actions and expectations reflect his greatness?
- How does knowing that God is with us, always; change your perspective in connecting culture to Christ?

Start Praying. *Lord Jesus, I want to join You in your mission. Send me, as an ambassador to share Your good news with ____.*

Application Point: We can trust God when we are asked to wait on him.