WARM-UP QUESTION

Do you prefer a consistently warm climate year-round, or do you like having the different seasons like Indiana has in the Midwest?

DISCUSS

• Start your discussion by sharing what stood out to you from Sunday's message. Were there any new insights or key takeaways for you?

Read Revelation 3:14-19

- In each of the letters we've read in this series, we see a description of Jesus at the start. What does verse 14 tell you about the character of Jesus?
- What complaint is brought to the church in Laodicea's attention? What do you think this looked like in the lives of the believers in this church?
- Using the description in this passage, how would you describe a believer who is "hot?"
 "Lukewarm?" What about "cold?"
- · How might you identify your faith in this current season? Hot, lukewarm, or cold?
- What could be the danger in believing you have everything you want and that you don't need anything? How could this mindset make us asleep in our relationship with Jesus?
- The church in Laodicea was using what their city was known for to feel self-sufficient. What makes you feel self-sufficient? Why is a self-sufficient church not biblical?
- Verse 19 shows us Jesus' heart towards lukewarm faith. How does He call the church in Laodicea (as well as us today) to live by His gracious correction and discipline?
- What could it look like for us to turn from our indifference, complacency and apathy in our relationship with Jesus?

Read Revelation 3:20-22

- Verse 20 tells us that Jesus wants to be in a relationship with us, but it requires us to respond to Him. How can we make room to hear from Jesus, and welcome Him into our lives and our daily rhythms?
- How do we develop a dependency on God?
- Read the Lord's Prayer (<u>Matthew 6:9-13</u>) as a group and discuss how this prayer provides a template for daily dependency on God.
- Are there any spiritual disciplines (prayer, fasting, sabbath) that you can commit to practicing
 this week that could challenge you in your need for and dependence on God? Share with your
 group and ask to be held accountable for the next time your group meets.

RESPOND

- Based on what you just discussed, what do you think God is prompting you to do in response? When will you do it?
- Pray together as a group for the specific goals or areas of struggle that came up in your discussion. Thank God for revealing more of who He is, and ask Him to help you apply what He's prompting you to do this week.