## **SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

"In Search of Rest: Finding Rest" – Pastor Chad Gilligan 6.30.24

1) When were you the most tired/weary? How long did you feel that way?

Read Matthew 11:28-30 – "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

- 2) What is one practical rhythm we can establish to connect with Jesus?
- 3) What does it mean to take the yoke of Jesus? If you have done it, how has it changed you?
- 4) Do you need to make space for rest? If so, where can you make that space?

Read Philippians 2:3-4 – "Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. 4 Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too."

- 5) What does gentleness and humility look like to you?
- 6) Lack of gentleness and humility can be a sign you need rest. What other signs tell you that you need rest?

Read Matthew 11: 28-30 (MSG) "Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly."

- 7) Has Jesus lightened a burden in your life? How?
- 8) What can you do when the rest Jesus offers eludes you?

**Prayer:** Take time to pray for rest in the lives of those in your group.