

# Discussion Questions

## **INTRODUCTION**

Through our own efforts, the call to holiness seems daunting and unattainable. Yet as God transforms our cold hearts and dull minds, we can begin to tap into a sanctified life.

## **GETTING STARTED**

1. In the past few weeks, what commitment have you struggled to keep? Give a one-word answer as to why you've struggled with this commitment.

## **BIBLE IDEA**

2. Read 1 Peter 1:22-25. As a follower of Jesus, what has God placed in your heart (vs. 23)? How does this affect the way you interact with others, yourself, and God?
3. Read Mark 7:20-23. Make a list of what defiles a person and discuss. Where does Jesus say sin originates? What is the first step away from sin?
4. Read Romans 8:29. What does 'being conformed to the image of His son' look like to you? Give an honest assessment – are you conforming more to this world or to Jesus? Discuss your answer.
5. The Transformation of Heart, Mind & Actions
  - a. Read Ezekiel 36:25-27. What does it mean to be 'given a heart of flesh'? As the Lord changes us from the inside out, how does this potentially change the way we consider being a holy people?
  - b. Read Romans 12:2. What are the benefits of renewing our minds with God's Word?
  - c. Read 1 Peter 1:13-16. With the transformation of our heart and mind now centered around Jesus, discuss why you can now fulfill the call of being holy.

## **NEXT STEPS**

6. Consider being vulnerable. As your heart is being transformed, and your mind is being renewed, share one behavior or habit you'd like to conform you more to the image of Jesus. Talk through some practical steps you'll take to make this happen.