

This guide is intended to help you be better prepared to engage in making disciples in your small group. They are based off of the Sunday sermon listed in the top right corner. If you missed Sunday, make sure you take the time to listen to the sermon before your small group meeting. You can find the messages on our website.

Prayerfully considering these questions will help equip you to practice mutual ministry with your family at Vertical. While it's not likely that all of these questions will be asked during your small group meeting, we believe that your personal walk with Christ will be strengthened as you meditate upon the truths that God is teaching you through His Word.

- 1. It is really hard to be living in your own strength and in a moment, be ready to give a defense for the gospel. What is one way you can sanctify Christ as Lord in your heart, mind and life to saturate yourself in Christ?
- 2. Do you feel gospel ready? Why or why not? What needs to happen to get you there?
- 3. What excuses do you give for not always being ready to witness? How can you change your thoughts to line up God's command to always be ready?
- 4. Do you feel pressured to make something happen when sharing the gospel? Why is this not your job?
- 5. Do people ask you about your hope? Do people know you have hope in Christ? Is your hope misplaced in money or politics or something other than Christ?
- 6. Be prepared to share a two-minute testimony!
- 7. Where have you seen progression in your Christian life? (Sanctification) Give specific examples!
- 8. What draws my heart to the Lord. What parts of my life draw me away from Him? What are my excuses for not living and speaking the truth?
- 9. How would your evangelism change if your fear was only directed toward Yahweh?
- 10. Share how it went the last time you had the opportunity to give an account for the hope that is in you.