

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. Where are you guilty of using your own judgement instead of being obedient to God's Word?
2. Do you ever reach out to godly men or women to seek wisdom about things you are facing? Why or why not?
3. What are the specific situations you are tempted to please people rather than please Yahweh??
4. When your failures are brought to your attention, what is your typical reaction? Is it humble or prideful? How do you know?
5. Do you receive correction well? Would others characterize you as teachable? Why or why not?
6. Who do you have the hardest time receiving advice/correction/rebuke from? Why?
7. In what areas are you making excuses, or getting defensive? In what situations are you most likely to put the blame on other people or circumstances?
8. Read Proverbs 3:5-7 and James 4:6. Are you surprised by traces of pride in your life? Were they blind spots? Pray over the five indicators of pride that were given in Sunday's teaching.
9. How do I humble myself?
10. God knows and cares. Do these facts effect the way you respond to the struggle of pride?
11. What awesome characteristics of God are revealed in a teaching of man's pride?