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. If someone was observing your life for the past month, what would they surmise you value and prioritize? What does this reveal about your heart?
- 2. In what ways are do you currently love God by serving Him with your resources?
- 3. Recently, have you been enjoying your relationship with the Lord? Why or why not?
- 4. We are all investors. How do you use your resources (time, talents, treasures) to invest in temporal things? Eternal things? Think of some strategies to increase your "heavenly portfolio."
- 5. Do the things you invest in bring you joy? How can Saturday's teaching help you to grow in your delight of God?
- 6. Money is a powerful tool in the hands of the enemy and the philosophies of the world. Discuss the wonder of God using something that so easily enslaves to bring Him glory.
- 7. What is your motivation for investing in heavenly treasures? Is it obedience TO EARN God approval or obedience BORN OUT OF LOVE for your Savior and Lord?
- 8. How can you tell when you are controlled by earthly possessions? Share with the group if God's Word has revealed an earthly treasure you need to lay aside and break away from.
- 9. When you are tempted to see the earthly treasures as more attractive that heavenly treasures how can you do battle to convince your soul that getting God (heavenly treasures) will be so much better?
- 10. How can you invest your resources in the Gospel?
- 11. What does it mean to give faithfully, sacrificially, and generously? Where are you in regards to these characteristics?