

This guide is intended to help you be better prepared to make disciples in your small group. It is based on the Sunday sermon listed in the top right corner. If you missed Sunday, make sure you listen to the sermon before your small group meeting. The messages are also 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.

Sin infects us

1. Every person is under the condemnation of sin because of Adam. How can an understanding of sin grow your love of Christ as a believer?
2. Sin has contaminated every part of you: your mind, emotions, and reason. Where do you feel that most right now? (Be specific!)
3. We resist Adam as our representative, but accept being represented by governments and families without a second thought. Where in your walk with God are you still acting as your own representative, as if your standing with Him depends on you?
4. What does it mean practically for you to live as someone who has been transferred from Adam into Christ as your new representative head?

Death destroys us

5. George used the image of a tree already dead before it falls, cut off from its water source long before it hits the ground. What relationship, habit, or spiritual practice in your life is quietly dying because you are not abiding? What would reconnecting it look like this week?
6. How can the teaching of sin and death help when you are trying to share the gospel?
7. Due to Adam's sin and the punishment of death, we are born spiritually dead. How do you become spiritually alive?

Guilt condemns us

8. Since another man's guilt is attributed to us, do you struggle with the fact that this doesn't seem fair? Why or why not? Provide scripture to support your conclusions.
9. George said, "It was always part of God's plan to be changed into glorious, eternal beings and live forever." How are you looking forward to this reality? How can you long for this more in your day-to-day life?