LARGE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

9.17.25 & 9.24.25 Genesis: "God's Plan, Your Story"

Lesson Summary:

Pastor Charles kicks off our RUSH year with a lesson that introduces Genesis as the starting point of God's story and shows how it connects to our lives today. Genesis 1 reveals three key truths about God's plan: He made everything, His power is unmatched, and we are His masterpiece created in His image. These truths remind us that God is the Author, not us; that we are deeply loved and wanted; and that He created us for a bigger purpose. From the beginning of time, God has been writing a story of love and redemption, and each of us is already a part of it. Our identity, worth, and purpose are found not in ourselves or the world, but in the God who made us.

Key Points:

What Genesis Teaches Us About God's Plan

- 1. God made it ALL
- 2. God's POWER is next level
- 3. You are God's MASTERPIECE

What Genesis Teaches Us About Our Story

- 1. You're not the <u>AUTHOR</u>, God is
- 2. You're deeply LOVED and WANTED
- 3. You're created for a bigger <u>PURPOSE</u>

Discussion Questions:

- 1. If God created everything, including you, what does that say about your value and purpose? (Genesis 1:27; Psalm 139:13–14)
- 2. Where in your life do you struggle to let God be the Author of your story instead of trying to write it yourself? (Genesis 1:1; Proverbs 3:5-6)
- 3. How does knowing that God SPOKE creation into existence change the way you view His power when you are going through hard times? (Genesis 1:3; Jeremiah 32:17)
- 4. What are some areas where you've been looking for love and approval from people instead of resting in God's love? (Genesis 1:26; Romans 5:8)
- 5. How would your choices change this week if you truly believed you are God's masterpiece? (Genesis 1:31; Ephesians 2:10)
- 6. In what ways can you reflect God's image to your friends, family, classmates, teammates? (Genesis 1:28; Matthew 5:16)
- 7. How can you remind yourself daily that your worth isn't based on grades, sports, or popularity but on being created in God's image? (Genesis 1:27; Galatians 2:20)
- 8. What's one practical step you can take this week to live out your bigger purpose of pointing people back to God? (Genesis 1:28; Acts 17:26–27)

