

TALK IT OVER

SMALL GROUP SERMON DISCUSSION

Note to the Host: Thanks for leading your group and being willing to create community! Remember, this is your group, and you have the freedom to navigate the conversation that best fits your group's dynamic.

ICEBREAKER:

- Assuming you could physically do so, what Olympic sport would you love to compete in?

QUESTIONS:

These questions are based off the sermon that took place on Sunday. In this time, feel free to revisit any of the scripture that was discussed in the message. Answer as many questions as your time allows; don't feel pressed to get through them all.

1. This week Pastor Brian shared a message about foul language and the damage it does. Is this something you find comes easily in your daily life? In which situations? Around certain people?
2. Read James 3:10. As a Christian, when we praise our Father but then also curse those He created in His image, what does it say to the world about our walk?
3. Share a time when your words wounded those that you love. Or maybe you were wounded by the words of others. How did that feel?
4. Read Matthew 12:34-37. Knowing we will be held accountable on judgment day for every word we say, does this impact your thoughts on how we should watch what we say and speak to others?
5. Do you have underlying hurts or anger that may cause you struggle with foul language? What steps should you take to address this? Celebrate Recovery? Pray for those in your group who struggle with this and lovingly guide them toward a helpful solution.
6. One way to counter anger is with love. Do you actively serve in a ministry area at church, engaging others with love? If so, share how God ministers to you through serving others. If not, how can you take the step of getting in the game?
7. Is spending daily time in God's Word and in prayer a priority for you? If not, why not? 2nd Base of our Growth Track curriculum covers simple ways to help make this a habit in our lives. Maybe take 2nd base as a group? Commit to your group, to make these a daily part of your life.

PRAYER:

Please don't stress about the time of prayer, pray however your group feels comfortable. This can either be one person pray, or you can go in a circle and have each person pray a few sentences. Be sure to change it up so your prayer time stays fresh in your group!

- Make sure that everyone has a chance to share.
- Encourage and welcome all praise reports!
- Have someone type your requests up so the group can recall them throughout the week.