



“Seeking Shalom”
Small Group Questions
Week of September 14, 2025

Icebreaker:

When you think of your community (neighborhood, city, or town), what’s one thing you appreciate about it and one thing you’d love to see improve?

Discussion Questions:

1. Paul Tripp said, “Discontent is good if it makes you long for home, but bad if it makes you doubt the One who prepares a place for you in his home.” Agree or disagree? Why or why not?

2. In what ways can discontent stir up a healthy longing for our true home with God, rather than discouragement about our present circumstances?

3. Read Jeremiah 29:4-14 (or if you are feeling brave read the entire letter - verses 4-23). What jumps out to you from this letter?

How do you think the Jewish exiles would have responded to hearing God’s commands to live in the land and seek the peace and prosperity of Babylon?

4. What does it mean to “pray for the city” in practical terms?

How might prayer shape the way we see and love our community?

5. How does pursuing the good of our community reflect God’s character and His mission in the world?

6. What might “seeking the welfare of the city” look like in our context today (schools, workplaces, neighborhoods)?

7. What practical steps could our church—or you personally—take this week to contribute to the flourishing of our community?