

Week Two | God Uses Everything | 10.24-25.2020

Grow Deep Conversation Questions: Use these questions to help you process the message in your personal time of study or with your group. Time suggestions are based on a 90-minute group gathering.

Message Recap: Over the past three years, we have had the opportunity to make updates throughout our building to reach people in ways we never dreamed or imagined. Looking back, it's easy to see how God was working. What might he be doing in our lives right now to affect the lives of people in the next three years? Let's celebrate the progress and look forward to what God wants to do next!

≫ Opening (2-3 minutes)

- Introductions this is especially important if this is your first meeting and if there are new members
- Housekeeping clarify expectations
 - Announcements: These are in your Community News email. Please read and communicate! Encourage participation!
 - Remind your group that this is a confidential meeting
 - Remember, there may be many thoughts and views. Please remain kind and respectful during conversations.
- Pray open your time together in prayer

>> Introduction (12 minutes)

- Ice-Breaker: Who is the person in your life today that has known you the longest?
- Digging Deeper: Is this the same person who knows you best? Why or why not?

>> Observation | Read Romans 8:26-30

(12 minutes)

What are your initial reactions to this passage? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?

>> Key Principle | God knows you best and what's best for you.

(12 minutes)

Do you believe God knows you best, and what's best for you? What are some ways you have experienced God's best?

The Helper | Reference Romans 8:26-27

(12 minutes)

- Paul is continuing his point from last week (Romans 8:18-25) about our hope, and he begins by talking about relying on the Holy Spirit when we feel weak. How do you do that personally? What does it mean to rely on the Holy Spirit?
- What does your prayer sound like when you feel desperate versus when you feel self-sufficient?

The Promise | Reference Romans 8:28

(12 minutes)

- What is something God has revealed to you about you that was a surprise?
- What is something that God says He's using in the world that feels difficult to believe?

The Process | Reference Romans 8:29-30

(12 minutes)

- Where have you jumped off the train of faith from the progression Paul talks about?
- What does it look like to get back on track with God?

>> Next Steps and Prayer |

(15 minutes)

- What are some of the difficulties you have encountered this year? How have you seen God work in and through those difficult times?
- Close by praying for each other to spend time with God this week, looking to find the ways God has used difficult moments for good.

