



Week Two | Pool Time | 07.02-03.2022

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.

Series Recap: Everyone has different experiences with road trips. Many of these memories aren't even about the original plan but what happened when plans changed. Jesus was amazing at living in the moment with the people God brought in His path. Let's explore the lessons of how we can be present together this summer and the stories we'll tell because of it.

» Opening

(3 minutes)

- Introductions - This is especially important if this is your first meeting and if there are new members.
- Housekeeping - Clarify expectations:
 - 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: What's your favorite thing to do at the pool?
- Digging Deeper: Jesus cared about everyone but He didn't offer care to everyone, what stands out to you about this experience?

» Observation | Read John 2:1-11

(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 | Healing is not beyond hope but we need help.

(12 minutes)

- Is there a struggle - personally, professionally or culturally - that seems beyond hope?
- Why is it so difficult to ask for help?

» Long Term Suffering | Reread John 5:1-5; 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

(12 minutes)

- How does long endured pain shape our faith in an all-powerful God?
- Discuss how weakness is an opportunity to reveal God's perfect power. Grace and strength.

» Short-Term Answering | Reread John 5:6-9; Isaiah 41:10; Hebrews 4:14-16

(12 minutes)

- What role does the Bible play in hearing Jesus' answers to our modern day struggles?
- How does Jesus' earthly life provide context and encouragement when events feel uncertain?

» Immediate Obeying | Reread John 5:10-17; Romans 8:18-30

(12 minutes)

- What is an area that it feels futile to obey, but we can trust that God is working in?
- How does obedience allow us to live called, justified and glorified lives?

» Next Steps and Prayer |

(15 minutes)

- Where are you assuming your suffering is permanent and why? What could trusting Jesus look like in your suffering?
- Close by praying for one another to have a renewed sense of trust with Jesus, even in your suffering.