



Ice Breaker (in groups of 2 or 3 for larger groups)

Share about your favorite board or card game, and why you like it.

Talk About it!

QUESTION 1

Discuss:

What comes to your mind when you hear the word 'blessed'?
What is it and how would you think you'd experience it?

QUESTION 2

Psalm 1:1, 4-6 New Living Translation

1 Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers... 4 But not the wicked! They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind. 5 They will be condemned at the time of judgment. Sinners will have no place among the godly. 6 For the Lord watches over the path of the godly, but the path of the wicked leads to destruction.

Discuss:

What does 'getting advice from the wicked' look like in our day?
What is the effect of that kind of advice in your life?
Can you share how standing around with sinners has affected you in your life?
Why does sitting in the seat of mockers mess you up?

QUESTION 3

Psalm 1:2-3 New Living Translation

2 But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. 3 They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.

Discuss:

How does this picture of flourishing motivate and inspire you?



QUESTION 4

In the message, Pastor John shared three keys to spiritual vitality:

1. Take in the Word of God
2. Move in the will of God
3. Walk in the ways of God

Discuss:

In what ways have you experienced and lived out those three keys?
Which one is more challenging to you?

QUESTION 5

Revelation 22:1-2 New Living Translation

*Then the angel showed me a river with the water of life, clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb.
2 It flowed down the center of the main street. On each side of the river grew a tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, with a fresh crop each month. The leaves were used for medicine to heal the nations.*

Ephesians 3:19 New Living Translation

19 May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.

Discuss:

How does the idea of the river of God - and the love that flows from it - affect you, and how will you move toward experiencing more of it?