

1/28/18: Identity Part 4 -- Group Discussion Questions

Remember!! These are suggestions! Tailor this to the personality of your Group...

Welcome & Intro: After welcoming, snacks, etc, choose one of these (great place for Apprenticing Leader!):

- High/Low: Have everyone share a high and a low from their week. OR...
- Icebreaker: Have you ever planned something, a party, a trip, an evening out, but nothing seemed to go the way it was supposed to? What happened?

Announcements / Transition with Prayer

Discussion Intro:

- Invite your Group to share about how their Up or In or Out relationships have been. **Keep this conversation BRIEF.** You are not looking for answers from everyone! The primary purpose is to remind people to pursue health & mission in all of these relationships

Discussion (*CHOOSE only those that fit your Group and your time!*)

- This week, Jon spoke about knowing God's will. What stood out to you from this sermon? When you have decisions to make, what is your process?
- **Read 1 Corinthians 16:5-9.** What are the decisions Paul shares in these few verses? What, in this passage, points to God's guidance of Paul in making these decisions?
- **Read Micah 6:8.**
 - What does the Lord require of us? How do you feel about this requirement and its impact on your life?
 - How is this verse relevant to the decisions you have to make?
- Jon spoke about the importance of prayer in ascertaining God's will for your life.
 - If God already knows our need and what's best, what purpose does prayer have?
 - If God doesn't concretely give you the answer, how does prayer help you make right decisions?
- Think about your life this week/month/year.
 - Are there things you already know are the right direction for you to take? How do you know? How are you involving God in this process?
 - Are there decisions you have to make that worry you, where the outcome is unclear? Why is it unclear? How are you involving God in this process?
- How can you pursue God's will in a specific way this week? How can your small group help you?

Break for smaller group Prayer:

- Have everyone take a moment for silent reflection on the group conversation, possibly with notecards for writing. Have them answer the question: *What does God most want me to take away from this conversation? And what action is God calling me to take?*
- Give opportunity to share responses to that reflection in their smaller groups.
- Pray for each other's requests AND the actions to which God is calling them.