

# QUESTIONS THAT MATTER.

SCRIPTURE: Mark 8:27-30

1. **BELONG** – Take time to slow down together and assess how people are doing in their personal and spiritual lives. Feel free to change the questions, but the point is to truly sit in this moment to allow time and space for encouraging spiritual connectivity.

- A. How would you describe your start to fall? Which areas of your life feel stable? Which feel overwhelming?
- B. If you could ask Jesus any question, what would it be?

2. **DISCOVER** – Read Mark 8:27-30 together. Discuss the DBS questions below. Remember, this is meant to be a dialogue, not a monologue. This section is all about discovering the Word of God together.

- A. Thinking back to the message on this passage, what points or illustrations come to mind?
- B. Given the context of this chapter and book, how would you summarize the primary theme of this section of Scripture?
- C. What truth(s) does this passage teach us about the character of God?
  - Can you think of any other passages in Scripture that support this truth?
- D. How does this passage point us as readers to Jesus?
  - Can you think of any other passages in Scripture that support this truth?
- E. What does the truth(s) of this passage teach us about ourselves?
  - Is there another place in the Bible that gives us more understanding about this truth?

3. **GO** – Take time to apply the text. Once we hear truth, we are called to live it out. If our groups just sit and talk about information, they won't experience transformation. This section is about self-reflection and holding one another accountable to live out what we're learning.

- A. Why do you think Jesus answers so few questions directly in the gospels? How do the questions He does respond to help pique the curiosity of His listeners?
- B. What misconceptions about Jesus did you have growing up? How did you first come to understand who Jesus really is, the Christ?
- C. Everyone has an opinion of who Jesus is, but how do we make sure that opinion is based on truth? How does seeking to know Jesus more help us understand who He has created us to be?
- D. Do you have friends or family members who have questions about Jesus? What steps will you take to intentionally help them to explore those?

4. **PRAY** - Petition the Lord together as you close out your group time. How might the truths in these scriptures impact the way you live your life and make a spiritual difference in the lives of others?

- A. Pray that Jesus would cultivate a heart of curiosity within you to further explore who He truly is.
- B. Take requests from your group members. Pray together as you seek to apply the text.