

“Pay It Forward” Discussion Questions

5/19/24 - A Fresh Start (Graduate Recognition)

Instructions: A life group is a family growing in Jesus together (worship), caring for each other (community), and BLESSing our neighbors together (mission). Start with a couple of the CONNECT questions. Then read the Scriptures and discuss. Make sure to conclude by applying the passage and finishing with a time of prayer.

CONNECT TOGETHER (choose 1-2)

1. What is something you are thankful for this week?
2. How have you seen Jesus at work in the world around you? How have you been able to join him? Remember, God works through small stories.
3. Are you facing a challenge right now?
4. From Sunday’s message, is there a thought or idea that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, or surprised you?

READ Matthew 13:31-32

1. Have someone retell the passage in their own words.
2. What stands out as significant, surprising, interesting, confusing, or powerful?
3. What do you think Jesus was trying to say in this parable?
4. How does Jesus ministry parallel this parable about the Mustard Seed?
5. Have you seen the truth of this parable play out in your own life? Explain.
6. What do you learn about people in this passage? (yourself, others)
7. What do you learn about God in this passage? (his character, his ways, etc.)

LIVE IT OUT (Discuss 1 or 2 of the action steps Pastor Don challenged us with)

1. Identify your long-held definition of success and then redefine what success is in light of Jesus.
2. Make a list of your blessings and discuss how they can be used to bless others.
3. What can we free up in our lives so that we have more time, money, and energy to serve others?

PRAY

