

Encounter

Discussion Guide

Week of November 12 - **"Stumbling Toward God's Call"**

Scripture verse: Genesis 11:27-12:5

LOOKING BACK:

1. How have you seen God working this past week? What was it that made you know it was God working?
2. Last session's assignment: Look for an opportunity to pray with someone.
 - a. Did you notice any opportunities to pray for another person?
 - b. How did praying for the Lord to stir the heart of someone in your pathway help you to obey?
 - c. How did you open a conversation with this person? Was there any further gospel conversations? Were you able to have a moment of praying?

OPENING QUESTION: Many times, Scripture describes God speaking to His people through a voice or an angel or a dream. When was a time you felt the Lord speaking to you? Briefly describe that moment. How did you know it was the Lord speaking?

LOOKING UP:

1. Why is it important to know that God wants to speak to us?

2. He, also, wants us to listen to His voice. How do we learn to recognize His voice? How does Scripture help us to discern that the Lord is speaking to us?
3. Take time to read the passage listed below and then begin the conversation by asking the first two questions.

<p>READ THE PASSAGE Genesis 11:27-12:5</p> <p>Answer the first 2 questions after reading the passage</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What stood out to you most? 2. What was challenging or hard to understand? 3. What does this teach us about God? 4. What does this teach us about people? 	<p>RE-READ THE PASSAGE</p> <p>Read the passage again using another Bible translation... then answer the last 2 questions</p>
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LOOKING FORWARD:

1. The Lord desires to speak to you. Are you willing to listen?
2. Have you ever tried to say a pray that goes something like this, “Lord, I am going to listen closely to what you say today... so, please speak to me and I will respond in faith”?
3. Instruct each person to go to a quiet place (or spread out sitting a distance away from others). Then pray the prayer mentioned in question number two.
4. Before next time, each morning... pray the prayer from question #2 in this section. Next time, we'll share how this went for each of us and what we heard from the Lord during our listening times. Write these down so you'll be ready to share.