

Week One

Conversations with People

RUNNING PARTNER GUIDE



INITIATE MEETING

- ▶ Designate someone to pray. Before praying...
 - read the *Running Partner Values* (page 13) aloud.
 - sit silently for thirty seconds to individually pray and to slow yourselves down.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- ▶ Reading
 - In the reading, what most captured your attention?
 - Scripture exhorts us to “Seek justice, encourage the oppressed. Defend the cause of the fatherless, plead the case of the widow” (Isaiah 1:17). Does this inspire you, or do you find it daunting? Why?
- ▶ Morph Me
 - In the first stage of the Morph Me exercise, you were encouraged to write a prayer. Take turns reading your prayers to each other. If your prayer contains highly sensitive information, then feel free to verbally edit. To the extent possible, you’re encouraged to be open so you can join with each other in your respective prayers.
 - What did you hear or observe as you considered the people in your world? What observations did you write down on page 30?
- ▶ Conversations with God
 - Practically speaking, how and when are you reading Luke and memorizing Isaiah 1:17 and James 1:27?
 - Spiritually speaking, share your experience so far in reading Luke and memorizing Isaiah 1:17 and James 1:27.

PRAYER

- ▶ With your written prayers in mind (and even opened to those pages), pray for each other. Join with each other in the prayers that were read.

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