

Week Two

Conversations with People

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

▶ Opening Question

- What is one thing you love about life in this world, and what is one thing you would change?

▶ Reading

- Take a moment for individuals to flip through the readings from Weeks One and Two. In these readings, what most captured your attention? Why?
- Read Mark 4:30-32 (as discussed on pages 44-45). What can we learn about the kingdom of God from this parable?
- Read Matthew 13:24-30 (as discussed on pages 45-46). What can we learn about the kingdom of God from this parable?

▶ Morph Me

- In the Morph Me exercise, you were encouraged to write four prayers (pages 53, 55, 57, 59). Have each person read one of their prayers and explain their thoughts behind it.

▶ Conversations with God

- Break into groups of two or three. Have each person recite one of the four memory verses and then put the verse in their own words. What are you hearing in these passages? How have they encouraged, challenged, or inspired you in recent weeks? (Note: Scripture memory and meditation are notoriously neglected. If your group has yet to truly engage this, then have an open discussion about the value of Scripture memory, and give practical ideas to each other on how to go about it.)

PRAYER

- ▶ Still in groups of two or three, with your written prayers in mind (and even opened to those pages), pray for each other. Join with each other in the prayers that you read.

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