

*Week 6*

*Small Group Discussion Questions*

**Stuck on Purpose: Marriage**

**Getting to Know You:**

*These questions are designed to help you get to know other people and share a little bit about your life.*

1. What is the best piece of relationship advice you've ever received?
2. If you could plan the ultimate date (whether for yourself or for someone else), what would it include?
3. Have you ever had a date go so badly that you left early? What happened?
4. What's the weirdest or most embarrassing thing you've done to impress someone you liked?
5. If falling in love had a theme song, what would yours be?

### **Digging Deeper:**

*These questions are designed to help you dig deeper into the sermon topic, relevant scriptures, and provide deeper opportunities for reflection.*

- 1. What stood out to you most from the sermon? Why?**

The sermon mentioned that marriage takes work. Why do you think relationships (romantic or not) require effort? What do you think is the most common areas or categories that need the most work?

- 2. Read Genesis 2:18. “It is not good for man to be alone.” What does this verse teach us about the importance of friendship in relationships, especially as it relates to God’s mission for Christians?**

John Gottman says, “Happy marriages are based on a deep friendship.” How can we apply this principle to all our relationships, whether we are married, dating, or single? What are some practical ways to cultivate deep, meaningful friendships in both our marriage and communities?

- 3. Read Matthew 22:34-40 and Matthew 28:18-20.**

The sermon emphasized that marriage is about more than just running a household—it’s about pursuing a shared mission. How do you see God using relationships (whether marriage, friendship, or community) to accomplish His purposes?

4. Read Philippians 2:3. What does this look like in your daily life (marriage, friends, co-workers, etc.)?

5. In the sermon, Pastor Steve talked about how Satan tries to distort God's design for relationships. How have you seen culture shape the way people view the commitment of love, sex, friendship, and partnership?

Read Ephesians 5:21. How does mutual submission apply in your marriage? If you're not married, how does this principle apply to all relationships? In what categories do you struggle to submit to others?

How does Jesus model what it looks like to submit to God's plans and to submit to others? Can you think of any Biblical examples?

