

Week 8

Small Group Discussion Questions

Stuck on Purpose: A family that wants to be together

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 was your favorite meal or snack as a kid? How often do you still consume it today?**
- 2. What's one rule your parents had that you didn't understand as a child but appreciate now?**
- 3. What's a tradition from your childhood that you still love today? Do you still enjoy doing it today? How has it evolved over time?**

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 role did your family play in your spiritual growth? Were there specific traditions, prayers, or conversations that made an impact?**

Read Proverbs 22:6. If you grew up in a Christian home, how did you see this verse modeled in your upbringing.

2. What was one of the biggest challenges you've faced as a parent (boss or co-worker if you don't have children)? How did you overcome it, and what role did faith play in that process?

Read James 1:5. How have you relied on God's wisdom in these difficult situations?

3. Read: Deuteronomy 6:4-8. What does it look like for you to impress "these things" on your children (friends, co-workers, etc.?)

Were these values impressed on you as a child, and have they stuck with your kids?

4. Read Ephesians 4:29. In what ways do your words build up or tear down your family members? How do these conversations impact Triple A parenting (Authority, Affection, and Atmosphere?)

5. Read Matthew 7:9-11.

It's common for people to project their earthly relationships with their father into their relationship with their heavenly Father. On what level has your relationship with your earthly father impacted your relationship with your Heavenly Father?

How has God revealed Himself as a loving and trustworthy Father in your life?

Application Questions:

The goal is life transformation, not simple discussion. This is how we live out this week's teaching.

- 1. If you are currently raising kids, reflect on Deuteronomy 6:4-8. What are a few ways you can make spiritual conversations with your kids a more natural part of the day?**

- 2. You've probably heard the phrase, "It takes a village to raise a child." Pastor Steve often changes it to say, "It takes a Church to raise a Christian." The simple idea is that we need one another. How has your time in this small group helped you grow in your faith—either as an adult raising children or as a child of God?**

Can you share a specific moment where someone in this group encouraged or challenged you spiritually?

Read Hebrews 10:24-25. How can we be more intentional in supporting and encouraging one another?

Prayer Request:

Take time to share prayer requests and to pray for one another.