

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

1. As a group, we said we want to know God by opening four areas of our lives:

Open Our Bibles – knowing Him through His Word

Open Our Mouths – knowing Him by speaking truth & asking questions, encouraging others

Open Our Hearts – knowing Him through honest prayer

Open Our Hands – knowing Him through serving and caring

Which of these comes most naturally to you right now? Which is most challenging?

Read: John 17:1-9

2. What stands out to you the most about the section of Jesus' prayer that we read tonight?
3. Jesus defines eternal life as "knowing God." How is that different from how people usually think about eternal life? If eternal life is about "knowing God" today, how does that change how you see your day-to-day life and responsibilities?
4. Would you say your relationship with God is about knowing Him, or knowing more about Him? What is the difference?
5. What would it look like for this group to truly "know God together," not just meet together? How can this group help you know Jesus more?
6. What is one simple step you can take this week to grow in knowing God?
7. Vs 1-5. Jesus prayed specifically that he would glorify God the Father and that God the Father would do likewise as the time for Jesus to die on the cross drew closer. How did Jesus specifically glorify God with his time on earth?

PRAYER TIME

Spend time praying together. Ask for prayer requests and pray for the group's current needs. Also, pray for the group to grow to know God together. Encourage everyone who is comfortable to pray for the group and for what God wants to do in and through it. Close the prayer by thanking God for sending Jesus so that you can know God.

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