

GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION

CONNECT

What interests you most: music, movies, or books, and why? (For new growth groups, spend additional time sharing five things about your life.)

LEARN & APPLY

Read Luke 4:14-30 today and discuss the following questions:

Jesus himself studied the Bible. God's people have long had a weekly rhythm of learning the Bible together. Why do we need to keep opening the Bible over and over again? (Why can't we just learn the basics and move on?) What do you think is the value of reading it individually and in community?

According to Luke, this is something like Jesus' inaugural address. He explains how he understands his own ministry. What are the priorities on Jesus' platform? Where might we Christians need to adjust our agendas to match his? How would you make those changes?

Jesus quotes from Isaiah 58:6 and 61:1. Go to Isaiah and read what he was reading. Read Isaiah 58 and 61:1-3. Which parts of this seem most relevant to God's people today? Why?

This passage (Luke 4:14-30) is so realistic about how people react to Jesus! What do you find most inspiring about Jesus? Most challenging? Why is it sometimes hardest to share faith with a family member or friend?

PRAY

(If kids are present, invite them to join you.) Join hands and ask one or more to open by praying any praises or requests that came up in discussion. Close by saying the Lord's Prayer together.