

Gospel Centered | Mission Focused

The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood.

John 1:14, *The Message*

John's Gospel | Week of January 10

Our invitation this New Year is to live gospel centered lives, encouraged and equipped by our gospel centered relationships (especially in Connect Groups). The questions below are designed specifically for Connect Groups and can also be used in households or spiritual friendships. Make a goal this week to hear at least one other person's story of how they began with Jesus.

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- When did the good news become your good news?
- Can you relate to the idea of "an Old Testament God" and then there is Jesus?
- Read John 1:1-18. In this testimony, what do you learn about who Jesus is? Why does this matter to us?
- Laurie also spoke about keeping the Word at the center of our lives and relationships. What can we do, as a Connect Group, to remain centered in the Word?

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- Reflecting on how Jesus "moved into the neighborhood" and how important relationships are to the gospel, Laurie spoke about the vision of Connect Groups as Gospel Centered and Mission Focused. Does this feel inviting or intimidating to you?

This Week's Gospel Centered Practice

Our readings this week begin in John's Gospel and turn to 1 John, a letter written to a church that had divided. It's another expression of good news that seems especially appropriate right now.

Monday, January 11 | John 1

Tuesday, January 12 | 1 John 1

Wednesday, January 13 | 1 John 2

Thursday, January 14 | 1 John 3

Friday, January 15 | 1 John 4

Saturday, January 16 | 1 John 5

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