

CONVERSATION GUIDE

LET'S TALK ABOUT SEEKING JESUS

HERE'S THE BIG IDEA

Through prayer, God gives us an opportunity to seek him in all areas of life. In John 11, we see Mary's and Martha's effort to seek Jesus to heal Lazarus. The passage reveals that even though Jesus didn't show up the way Mary and Martha were expecting, their effort of seeking Jesus still allowed them to experience his power -- Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, reminding Martha "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" See, there are times in our prayer life where we may hit a wall and begin to think that Jesus is hiding from us. The truth is that Jesus is more than likely hiding FOR us -- He wants to be sought out and found through our faithful prayers. Let's talk about Seeking Jesus.

POWER OF PRAYER

**"The power of prayer is not in the words of the one who's praying;
but in the One who's listening."**

LOUIE GIGLIO, Senior Pastor of Passion City Church

LET'S TALK

BREAK THE ICE

Q: What are you hoping for in 2020?

Q: What do you think God is hoping for you in 2020?

TELL ME THE TRUTH | JOHN 11:40

John 11:40, "Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

God loves us more than we can ever know and He is doing more than we can ever see. Even when we pray with the expectation of God answering our prayers, His response is not always as we imagined.

Q: Share a story from a time God showed His love for you through an answered (or unanswered) prayer.

Q: Why does prayer lead us into a deeper relationship with Christ?

Q: How has prayer opened your eyes to who He is?

Q: Read John 11:21-22 aloud. What power do these verses give to our faith in Christ?

Q: What are some ways we can practice seeking God through prayer?

GO DEEPER (OPTIONAL)

Q: What is one bold prayer that you want to pray in 2020? Take time to pray the following: "God, open our eyes to see that You love us more than we know and that You are doing more than we can see."

DO SOMETHING

Starting January 11th, we are kicking off 21 days of prayer at all of the 12Stone Church campuses. Throughout this time, prayer services are offered during weekdays from 6am-7am and on Saturdays 8am-9am at all of the campuses. To learn more please visit 12Stone.com/21days.

RESOURCES

"Rooted in Prayer – Open My Eyes" – 12Stone Church, Jan. 05, 2020 (MESSAGE)

"Flourish in Prayer" – Passion City Church, 5-Day (READING PLAN)

"21 Days of Breakthrough Prayer" – Jim Maxim (BOOK)