

## DISCUSS & ENGAGE THE SCRIPTURES

- 1. Read Mark 4:9, Mark 4:24-25 NLT, and Proverbs 2:1-6. We may have a desire for God's Word, but we lack devotion to it. Which of these, desire or devotion, is God inviting you to lean into this week?
- 2. If you have a heart to hear from God, here are four ways to engage His Word:
  - a. <u>Engage God's Word from a Jesus-focused perspective.</u> Read <u>John 1:1</u> and <u>Luke</u> <u>24:27,31-32</u>. How does this challenge or inspire you to engage differently?
  - b. <u>Engage God's Word as a disciple.</u> Read <u>1 Samuel 3:2,7,9</u>, <u>Hebrews 4:12</u>, <u>2 Timothy</u> <u>3:16-17</u>, and <u>Acts 2:37</u>. Scripture is not information; it's transformation.
    - i. How are you allowing God's Word to teach, rebuke, correct, or train you?
    - ii. When was the last time you were cut to the heart in Scripture or through a weekend message?
  - c. <u>Engage God's Word with Him</u>. Read <u>John 5:39-40</u>, <u>John 14:26</u>, <u>Luke 10:39-40</u>, and <u>Matthew 7:22-23</u>. What do you need to change in order to stop reading the Bible and start meeting with God?
  - d. Engage God's Word with a plan. Read Proverbs 8:34, 1 John 4:16.
    - i. If you are training, what will you need to rearrange in your life to implement this week's practice plan?
    - ii. What is the Holy Spirit saying to you about engaging God's Word as you believe that *God is love, you are loved, and everything He says is loving*?

## SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES PRACTICE PLAN: SCRIPTURE

Read Psalm 119 and engage with the Valley Creek Reading Plan 5 times this week in a different way.

## **PRAY**

Read Acts 2:37 together, then pray that over the Valley Creek family.

## **LEADERS**

- Access A Different Way resources at <u>valleycreek.org/adifferentway</u>.
- Find out what's happening at Valley Creek by going to valleycreek.org/connect.
- Take attendance and add feedback on question #2 in the "notes" section, then send to "Leadership Only."