



UNCOMMON GROUND

MESSAGE BASED QUESTIONS

Uncommon Ground- WK 7

In a world that's divided, it's easier to pick a side than to fight for unity. But we have a higher calling- to choose honor in a world of division. Are you ready to stand on uncommon ground?

Conversation Starter: *Have some fun as you break the ice.*

- Were your family meetings typically filled with good or bad news?
- What is one song from your childhood that often comes back to mind?

Key Scriptures: *Let God's word frame the conversation. Take a minute to read these selected passages together as a Group.*

- Luke 19:10, John 3:16, Mark 16:15
- What is God's heart for those who are far from him?

Discussion Questions: *Pick a few of the questions below to guide your time.*

Starting Sharing: *Choose a question or two to create openness.*

- Who introduced you to Jesus?
- What images come to mind when you hear the word church?
- How has church changed for you over the past nine months? How has it remained the same?
- In your own words, what is the mission of the church?

Start Thinking: *Choose a question or two to think critically about the subject.*

- How has following Jesus looked different for you in 2020? Were the changes positive or negative?
- In what ways can churches focus on comfort and preservation instead of putting others first? What happens when we drift from a rescue mission to a resort?
- What is the difference between getting people to church and getting church to the people?

Make it Personal: *Choose a question or two to help you identify your best next step.*

- How long have you been part of LCBC? What excites you most about the future of our church?
- During this series, what have you learned helped you find uncommon ground with those who think, act, and live differently than you?
- Describe some ways that Jesus has changed your life since you started following him?
- Who is God leading you to introduce to Jesus? Are you willing to take the risk?

Next Steps: *Everybody has a next step. Check out some ideas below to help you grow by doing.*

The church is the only movement that exists for those who aren't yet on the inside.

- **Share your Story-** As a follower of Christ, your story is powerful. God wants to use it as a tool to introduce more and more people to Jesus! If you don't know how to share your story, check out our **Growth Track-Story** online environment.
- **First Steps-** If you are newer to LCBC, check out First Steps and learn more about why we're so passionate about introducing people to Jesus and together fully following Him! **Sign up here.**
- **Practice-** As the holidays approach, you'll have plenty of opportunities to put what you've learned in this series into practice. Decide now that you will choose honor and civility over making a point as you interact with family and friends around the table.

Prayer: *Invite God to do what only He can do!*

God, thank you for inviting us to be part of your mission. Please help us not to grow complacent or focus solely on our own needs but always live with an eye towards eternity. May we be followers and a church who live for those who are outside of our walls.

Bonus Feature: *Want to keep the learning going?*

- **Read the book:** Buy a copy of the Third Option and dive deeper into these principles.
- **Live your Faith:** What is sharing your faith wasn't about something you did but a way you lived, every day? Check out a great resource, **Everyday Evangelism**, from North Point Community Church, to help you live out your faith practically and compellingly to a watching world

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