

STRONG START

NEW GROUP CURRICULUM



WEEK 2

This Facilitator Guide will help you lead conversation.

[Brackets] indicate simple cues for you, as a facilitator, not intended to be read aloud.

CONVERSATION STARTER

Share a first date story of a relationship that did or did not work out well. When was it, where did it happen, and what were the circumstances?

[Play Week 2 Video, then move onto the Discussion Questions.]

KEY POINTS

Growing in our journey means becoming more like Jesus in action, words, attitude, and faith.

Walking with Jesus is not a journey to take alone.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1: The video shared examples of what a devoted, maturing Christ follower should look like. How would you describe a devoted, maturing Christ follower?

2: Read 2 Corinthians 11:3-4. The apostle Paul fears that the Corinthian believers would be distracted from their “pure and undivided devotion to Christ.” What can distract us from pure and undivided devotion to Christ? How can we know we are being distracted?

3: Read Philippians 3:8. In this passage, Paul had come to understand that knowing and growing in Christ was his dearest possession. What worthless things are keeping you from moving forward in your journey of faith? Are you willing to discard these worthless things? How might you do so?

4: Sharing distractions that prevent you from following Jesus well is a consistent practice in LIFE Groups. A major temptation of groups is to try to fix the person courageous enough to share a distraction. How can focusing on fixing someone erode the trust in a group? What should your group do instead of focusing on fixing people?

PRAYER

End the group’s time by just the leader praying for the group.

Ask God to guide your time together and build relationships.