

STRONG START

NEW GROUP CURRICULUM



WEEK 6

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

How would you spend \$10,000 if the one stipulation was that you could not spend it on yourself?
[Play Week 6 Video, then move onto the Discussion Questions.]

KEY POINTS

There is a tendency to become inward as your group grows together even though that's the opposite of what Jesus asks us to do.

A piece of art becomes a masterpiece when it's shared. We experience life at its fullest when we serve others.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1: Share a time when someone did something for you. How did it make you feel?

2: Read Eph. 2:10. God says we are his work of art, his masterpiece. Those who trust in Christ as Savior are created anew in him. This is a work only our great God can do. Do you see yourself as God's masterpiece? How would your acceptance of this change your outlook on life?

3: Eph. 2:10 also says that God prepared good works in advance for us to do. These works are uniquely designed for followers of Jesus who are expressions of a new identity as sons and daughters of God. How does this affect you to take hold of service opportunities?

4: What activity do you do for others that makes you feel the most alive?

5: John 13:35 explains how love forces us to look beyond ourselves and allows us to see and act upon the needs of others. Phil. 2:4 says, "Let each of you look not only to his own interest, but also to the interest of others." Where is God showing you a place to make a difference? What role can your group play in influencing your community?

PRAYER

Ask everyone for personal prayer requests. Galatians 6:2 says, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

What can the group carry with you this week to make you stronger?

What can the group celebrate with you this week to share in your joy?

LIFE Group leader asks others to pray if they feel comfortable then closes in prayer.