## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

For the week of January 21, 2024

One of the best things you can do after hearing truths from the Word of God is to talk about them with others. Here are some questions to help get the conversation started. (hint: the first couple of questions are meant to "break the ice" and get people talking)

- What is one of your favorite gifts of all time that isn't intended to be actually be used, but rather to be looked upon/enjoyed?
- What is one of your favorite gifts of all time that you use on a regular basis and it 'sparks joy' for you?
- Read Ephesians 4:11-12 and talk about what it looks like for a church to live out these verses. Then, talk about what it looks like when a church is not living out these verses.
- What comes to mind when you hear these phrases: "work of the ministry" and "edifying of the body of Christ?" Talk about practical ways to do these two things.
- Why are so many believers reluctant to minister and/or edify?
- Ephesians 4:13-16 show us what happens when a church/body is operating in accordance with vs. 11-12. Walk through vs. 13-16 and talk about how ministering and edifying brings about the things found in these verses. You can also talk about how we miss these things when we are not actively ministering and edifying.
- Josh gave the example of two ladies that had experienced loss. They used their experience to help others through "GriefShare." What are some experiences you've had and/or talents you possess that could be used to minister to and/or edify others?
- Take some time together to pray together.