

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of February 11, 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 a habit that you (or your spouse) have that is not necessarily sinful, but annoying?
- What was one of your favorite outfits to wear as a teenager?
- Read Ephesians 4:25. What are some examples of “white lies” that people tell? Are they ok in some cases? Is it ever ok to lie?
- Talk about the different ways ways that we lie.
- Read John 8:44. What is the significance/implications of Satan being the “father of lies?”
- Proverbs 12:22 calls lying an “abomination.” Talk about why God hates lying and the damage that it does in our lives.
- What is the truth in Ephesians 4:25 that “renews our minds” and helps us understand “why” we should speak truth? How does lying, or telling the truth, affect “members” of the body?
- There seems to be two applications to truth telling in Ephesians 4:25. One is speaking truth when confronted. The other is speaking truth about difficult subjects when NOT confronted (confession). Which of these is more of a struggle for you?
- Why are we so hesitant to ask for others’ help by practicing truth-telling confession? Why are we so determined to do it on our own?
- Talk about a time that you, or someone you know, practiced confession with another person. What were the fears leading up to it and how did it play out?
- In thinking about lying and truth-telling, talk about about these statements: “You cannot be fully loved unless you are fully known.” “I need to be known, so that I can be helped.” (see Ephesians 4:12)
- Take some time together to pray together.

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