



# Week I Give Joy, Say What? SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS SUNDAY 5TH November 2023

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## WEEK 1 GIVE JOY, SAY WHAT? EPHESIANS 4:29 SUNDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2023

#### **GETTING STARTED**

 Can you remember a time when someone said something to you, that just made your day?

 Can you recall a time when you encouraged someone, because you appreciated them?

#### INTO THE WORD

#### **READ: EPHESIANS 4:29**

 As Christians we are called to give up our human nature, and embrace God's nature through the Holy Spirit. How does this affect our language? Have you struggled with bad language? Gossip? Toxic negativity?

 Matthew 15:18 speaks of our heart and what is at our core, will come out of our mouth. How can we make sure Christ is so central to us, that it affects our words, our language, and our attitudes to others?

#### GOING DEEPER

### READ: EPHESIANS 4:29 AND 1 THESSALONIANS 5:11

When Christ is central to us we treat people the way Christ sees them, encouraging their efforts, seeing their God given potential, and caring deeply.

 How can you can you build others up this week? Is there a part of your heart you need to give to God to combat a habit, some words, or reactions that you know don't honour Christ?

#### PRAY TOGETHER AS A GROUP

Loving Father help us to see others how you see them. Take charge of our hearts so that the language we speak, the words we use, and the attitudes we have, resemble that of Christ. We pray that through our words, others may not only see the joy we have, but receive the JOY in benefiting from the words you have for them though us. In Jesus name we pray, Amen