

THIS IS US week six

These questions are for your growth and to prepare for the conversation in your Growth Group. We encourage you to read through them, spend some time thinking about your responses and write down anything that could aid in your Group. We also encourage you dig deeper, research, look for supporting Scriptures, etc. We are excited for your growth relationally and spiritual. **We recommend the Bible versions of - ESV, NTL, NIV, NASB and The Message.

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Series Overview: Every family has a way of thinking, talking, and handling things. The same is true of every church. So, who are we, what are our priorities, and where did we get these ideas? There are a handful of stories and sayings from the first generation of Christians that summarize the sort of church we set out to be. South Hills isn't a bunch of buildings, it's a diverse family of followers who share certain values. This is us.

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//TALK

Ice Breaker - If you had a time machine, would you go back in time or visit the future?

Q1 – When was the last time you did something for someone else even though you didn't really want to? How did it go for you?

Q2 – In the message, we talked about the idea of “yielding”. Have you ever “yielded” to something or someone else because you wanted to show value or worth to them?

Q3 – Read **Philippians 2:5-11 & Hebrews 12:1-3** — [Read in different translations] What stands out to you in this passage? What is being taught about Jesus?

Q4 – What are your thoughts regarding the statement: **“We all love a lot of things, but we don't love them equally.”** How would you answer, **“Is what you SAY you love the most the same as what you SHOW the most love to?”**

Q5 – Read **Luke 12:16-21 & Acts 32-35** — [Read in different translations] What stands out to you in this passage? How do these passages contrast one another?

Q6 – How can you live out the values of **“We give up things we love for things we love even more”** every day?

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Check out some more: Read the context surrounding the passages and parables this week.

//THE POINT

Pre-decide your priorities.

//MEMORIZE

Acts 4:32 - 32 All the believers were one in mind and heart. Selfishness was not a part of their community, for they shared everything they had with one another.

//PRAY

Take time to pray for the needs in your group. Pray for our church and our church leaders. Pray for the health of our church and our community. Pray that we will respond as a church to the needs around us. Pray that as a church we strive to create a place for unity. Ask God to help us be a healthy, growing church that connects with people far from God.