

The Power Of A Better Question

Conversation Starters

- Our word for the Year-End Offering is “Better.” Share something God did in your life this year and “Better” describes what He did or what He showed you.
- What’s the funniest or strangest question you’ve ever been asked?
- You get to ask any person on earth one question: Who would it be and what would you ask them?

Review

Ask eGroup members to share their favorite points from the sermon, what spoke to them, a phrase or moment from the sermon they related to the most, or questions they have. If members have a hard time recalling the sermon, talk through your notes and share your favorite points.

Make It Personal

- Share a question you’ve asked God recently. What’s a better question you could ask Him?
- The question isn’t, “Has God given it?” The question is, “Will you go forward into it?” How does that better question challenge or change a situation you’ve been looking at?
- Read Numbers 13:26-31. Where’s an area of your life where you’re seeing a cluster — you’re seeing God’s promise, but you’re also seeing a lot of “buts”? (*e.g., I’ve got the opportunity I prayed for, but it doesn’t look like what I expected.*) Identify some ways those “buts” might be coming from bad or “desert” questions.
- How have you been letting the devil ask your questions lately? (*What desert-questions have you been asking? e.g., am I enough, when will this be over, how can I do this,*

etc.)

- **Go deeper.** Here's a better question: Why is the devil fighting you so hard? (*Why would he want you to give up? What are you positioned to impact?*)
- "Why would God bring me this far just to leave me now?" How can asking that question encourage you? Share a time when you thought you might not make it, but God brought you through.
- Read Numbers 13:17-20. There are three better questions in this passage. First: Is this worth it? Second: How are we going to do this? (*Not "can we."*) Third: What is already growing? (*Sometimes the problem is the soil, not the seed. Look at the soil of your heart.*) Which of these questions can most help you take a step in your faith? Talk it out with your group.

Act On It

Share with the group one better question you want to ask God. This week, ask Him that question in prayer, and be open to the answer He gives you. Tell the group about anything God reveals to you! Also, if you've been asking yourself questions about how you're going to get through something or whether or not something will work out, spend some time listening to "Jireh" this week. Let it remind you how much God loves you and how He will always provide for you.

Prayer Requests And Prayer

Ask eGroup members to share any prayer requests they have. Record any notes or prayer requests to pray for members during the week.

Father, we're so grateful for how You love us and care for us even when we're asking the wrong questions. Help us ask better questions so we can be focused on the things that matter most to You and so we can carry out the plans You have for us. In Jesus' name, amen.