

Take The Lid Off A Little

Conversation Starters

- What's the first thing you do when you get up in the morning?
- Share the best trick you know for getting a stuck lid off a jar.
- Which is the most annoying "little" thing someone can do: clicking a pen, chomping gum, or starting every sentence with the word "like"?

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

- Give some examples of "little things" in our lives that can turn into big things. (*e.g., words, thoughts, looks, attitudes, actions, etc. Which ones are you most intentional about?*)
- Think back to this past week: What's a little thing that totally affected you and your day?
- Read Judges 6:14-15. God used Gideon (the smallest and the least clan) to start a nation. Why does God like "little"? What are some things that make it challenging for us to like "little"? (*God is in control of the big AND little things in our lives. Why can that be hard to believe?*)
- Now read 1 Kings 17:7-9. One day, Elijah had to move to the next miracle. God led Elijah to his next assignment through a limitation. Why do you think God leads us that

way sometimes? What things keep us from seeing it as being led by God?

- Share about a limitation you've faced in the past. How did it affect your mindset and actions? Looking back, how did that limitation lead to a new thing? *(Encourage group members to share how past limitations have affected the way they see current limitations.)*
- What do you need to recategorize in this season, instead of calling it good or bad? Share it with the group.
- Read 1 Kings 17:1-6. It had to be humbling for Elijah when God used ravens, "dirty birds," to feed him. Share how God has used a "dirty bird" in your life. *(Has God ever taken the lid off an expectation you had? Share some ways He has done things for you in unexpected ways. How do we put lids on ourselves when we set expectations for how God "should" bless us?)*
- Sometimes, God leads us through the doors He closes more than the doors He opens. Looking back at your life, what was a closed door that actually ended up being a blessing you could only see looking back?
- We need to speak what we want to see. Why do we struggle sometimes to do that? *(Encourage group members to share how they talk to themselves. How would people around them describe how they talk?)* What do you belittle with your words? How is fear at the root of it?
- Is there something you feel you're about to run out of? How can you take the lid off that and trust God can do something with your little? *(What are some things you can do to focus on living by truth instead of sight?)*

Act On It

This week, SPEAK what you want to SEE. Tell the group what you want to see in your life. Share one way you're going to focus on speaking that thing this week.

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 that "a little" becomes "a lot" when it's in Your hands. We ask You for the wisdom to give You everything we've been calling little, and we ask for greater faith to trust how You're using even limitations and the little things to lead us. In Jesus' name, amen.