

6. Spiritual Conversations

Study Guide

Introductory Discussion

(10 minutes)

This week check-in with your people of peace... have you identified someone? Are you praying for someone? Has anyone 'crossed the chicken line' and asked someone to read the Bible? Have you got another gospel sharing story to share?

Discuss the Text

(10 minutes)

[John. 4.4-30, 39-42](#)

Prior to watching the video, ask two or three people in the group to read the passage in a different translation. Some translations to consider (these are available in the YouVersion Bible app or other apps, or use your own hardcopy Bibles):

ESV (English Standard Version) or **LSB** (Legacy Standard Bible)

CSB (Christian Standard Bible) or **NIV** (New International Version)

NLT (New Living Translation) or **GNB** (Good News Bible)

Then discuss the following:

- As a group, retell the story without looking at the text.
- Is there anything you don't understand? (See if the group has any wisdom)
- Does anything stand out to you?
- When do you think it's appropriate to break social morés for the sake of the gospel? Or when is it not?
- What can we learn from this passage about following Jesus today?

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Teaching Video

(20 minutes)

Watch the accompanying teaching video <6. Spiritual Conversations>

Leaders Notes

- Casual: interests and opinions
- Meaningful: stories, passions, experiences (what's important to us)
- Spiritual: values and faith
- Discovery: introducing someone to Jesus

Discussion

- Did anything stand out to you in this week's teaching?
- Some people struggle with small talk - how might we get better at it?
- Can you think of ways we can transition from Casual to Meaningful to Spiritual to Discovery conversations?
- Who would you like to be able to engage with in this way?

Pray

Spend a few minutes praying for each other that God will help you be mindful but authentic in engaging in conversations with unbelievers.