



Ice Breaker (in groups of 2 or 3 for larger groups)

Share about your favorite creative medium and why you like it (clay, watercolor, writing, model making, etc.)

Talk About it!

QUESTION 1

Genesis 1:26-27 NLT

26 Then God said, "Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us. They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground."

27 So God created human beings in his own image.

*In the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.*

Genesis 2:8 NLT

8 Then the Lord God planted a garden in Eden in the east, and there he placed the man he had made.

Discuss:

Why does it matter that we know God as our maker and creator? What difference does it make to know this - and what He says about humans?

QUESTION 2

Discuss:

What do you think about the emergence of new identity language in the last several years? Name 2-3 forces that you sometimes allow to mold or shape your sense of identity (even if unintentionally).

QUESTION 3

2 Corinthians 3:15-18 NLT

15 Yes, even today when they read Moses' writings, their hearts are covered with that veil, and they do not understand.

16 But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. 17 For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

Discuss:

Share about how God has transformed YOUR identity. Is there a way you used to identify yourself that God has broken you free from as He's taking you from glory to glory?



For Real.

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QUESTION 4

Jeremiah 18:1-6 NLT

*1 The Lord gave another message to Jeremiah. He said, 2 “Go down to the potter’s shop, and I will speak to you there.”
3 So I did as he told me and found the potter working at his wheel. 4 But the jar he was making did not turn out as he had hoped, so he crushed it into a lump of clay again and started over.
5 Then the Lord gave me this message: 6 “O Israel, can I not do to you as this potter has done to his clay? As the clay is in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand.*

Isaiah 64:8 NLT

8 And yet, O Lord, you are our Father. We are the clay, and you are the potter. We all are formed by your hand.

Discuss:

How have you experienced the masterful hands of the Potter bringing vision, pressure, tools, water, and heat to your life to mold and shape you?

QUESTION 5

Discuss:

What are the molding and shaping influences you are allowing into your life other than your Heavenly Father? Who or what is molding and shaping you?

QUESTION 6

Psalms 100:3 New Living Translation

3 Acknowledge that the Lord is God!

He made us, and we are his.

We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

2 Corinthians 5:17 New Living Translation

17 This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

John 1:12 New Living Translation

12 But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God.

Discuss:

How do these verses affect your sense of your own identity?

What’s one way you want to grow in your identity in Christ?