

GOLD IN THE GROUND

WEEK 2 DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

BIG IDEA: YOUR VIEW OF THE VALLEY SHAPES HOW YOU WALK THROUGH IT.

QUESTION 1 - SAME PLACE, DIFFERENT STORY

Two people can stand in the same place, see the same problem, and walk away with two completely different stories. Where in your life have you noticed that your perspective changed the way you experienced a situation?

FOLLOW-UP PROMPTS:

- What emotions or thoughts did you have when you faced that situation?
- Did your outlook change over time — and what caused that shift?
- How might God be inviting you to see your current challenges differently?

SCRIPTURE TIE-IN:

Numbers 13:30–33 – “The twelve spies saw the same land, but only Joshua and Caleb saw it through faith.”

QUESTION 2 - WHAT LENS ARE YOU LOOKING THROUGH?

We often see life through one of three lenses — fear-based, flesh-based, or faith-based. Which lens do you most often slip into when things get difficult, and how can you begin to shift toward a faith-based perspective?

FOLLOW-UP PROMPTS:

- What triggers fear or self-reliance for you?
- How do you recognize when you’re relying on your own strength instead of God’s?
- What helps you refocus on God’s power rather than your limitations?

SCRIPTURE TIE-IN:

2 Corinthians 5:7 – “We live by faith, not by sight.”

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QUESTION 3 - MAGNIFY GOD, NOT THE GIANTS

You heard Pastor Jeremy say, “What you magnify determines what you move toward.” What “giants” in your life have been stealing your focus, and how can you choose to magnify God instead?

FOLLOW-UP PROMPTS:

- How does focusing on the problem affect your peace or faith?
- What practices help you magnify God — worship, prayer, community, Scripture?
- Can you recall a time when shifting your focus back to God changed your outlook?

SCRIPTURE TIE-IN:

Psalm 34:3 – “Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.”

QUESTION 4 - REFRAMING THE VALLEY

Michelle Williams shared that her valley wasn’t proof of God’s absence — it was an invitation to walk closer with Him. How can a “valley season” actually draw you nearer to God instead of pushing you away?

FOLLOW-UP PROMPTS:

- What lessons or growth have come from past valley seasons?
- How does remembering God’s faithfulness in the past give you strength now?
- What does it look like for you to walk with God in your current valley?

SCRIPTURE TIE-IN:

Psalm 23:4 – “Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me.”

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QUESTION 5 - THE PROMISE STILL STANDS

“The territory may change, but the promise doesn’t.” Where in your life do you need to be reminded that God’s promise still stands, even when the path looks different than you expected?

FOLLOW-UP PROMPTS:

- How can you hold on to faith when life doesn’t match your plan?
- What past examples remind you that God has always been faithful?
- How can our group encourage each other to keep believing when things get tough?

SCRIPTURE TIE-IN:

Hebrews 10:23 – “Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful.”