



Hope Has A Name

Icebreaker Question: What is something you are thankful for today?

Opening Question: Looking back to last week's discussion... How did you live differently or practice what we talked about in your life this week? What did you do and how did it go?

Scripture:

1 Corinthians 13:4-8a

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸ Love never fails.

Scripture Reflection Questions: Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- As we read through this same passage again for a third week, are there different things that stand out this week for you?
- What do we learn about God and what do we learn about people as we reflect on this passage?

Sermon Questions: Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:

- Human hope is more tied to circumstances, and Biblical hope is tied to Jesus. Compare/contrast both types of hope.
- Another way to translate verse 7 is "love hopes all things." Is this a call to be naïve? Why or why not?
- How have you experienced a love that hopes all things? How have you demonstrated this kind of love and hope to others?

Closing Question and Application: Given what we've discussed together today, how might God want you to apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week? Who might you share this with?

Closing group prayer: Spend a few minutes together in your group sharing prayer requests and then praying together for each other. Take the challenging parts of your conversation to Jesus. Thank God for the time together, the conversation shared, the other people in the group, and for encouragement in the week ahead.