CONVERSATION STARTERS SOUTHRIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

June 15, 2025

EAT TOGETHER | Showing up regularly to share life and build relationships

- 1. What are your favourite summer/vacation practices? What kinds of books do you read for fun?
- 2. Have you ever felt wrongly or unfairly accused? Did you feel like you had to defend yourself?

PRAY TOGETHER | Joining in on conversations of life and faith

- 1. What stood out to you in this week's service? Was there a song that spoke to you? Was there a moment when you sensed the presence of God? Did you meet someone new? Did you learn something from the message? Perhaps watch the message recap to review the big ideas of the message.
- 2. On Sunday, we heard Brian Merrit's story of finding Jesus. Have you ever shared your story? Where has Jesus met you in your story? How have you encountered Jesus in seasons of pain and difficulty? (Consider listening to the song "The Story I'll Tell")
- 3. In Acts 21-26, the Apostle Paul shares his story several times. Do you feel comfortable talking about your experience of Jesus with others? If so, share a time when you did that. If not, what do you think is holding you back from being more open about talking about Jesus with people?
- 4. Who are the people in your life who might be able to find a connection to Jesus through hearing your story? Perhaps commit to praying for them, and praying for the courage to know that Jesus is with you, and will give you the words you need, when the opportunity comes.

LOVE TOGETHER | Being real to care and make a difference

- 1. What helps us as we grow to trust Jesus in our pain & suffering?
- 2. How can we re-frame life's challenges as opportunities for the gospel?
- 3. To what degree do we see following Jesus as following Him in the way he suffered and sacrificed? (or do we simply view Jesus as a pathway to happiness and personal fulfillment?)
- 4. Read Romans 5:3-5: In what ways has adversity produced perseverance, shaped your character, and sharpened your hope in Jesus?
- 5. How can we pray for one another?