

CONVERSATION STARTERS

SOUTHRIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

November 20, 2022 | Bullseye

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

1. We've wrapped up our [Fall Bible Reading Challenge](#) through the Gospel of Mark. Did anyone read all the way through? If so, how has this journey of centering on the good news of Jesus changed your perspective of faith?
2. Icebreaker: How would you answer the question, "Is the world getting better or worse"? Do you see yourself as an optimist or a pessimist?

PRAY TOGETHER | Joining in on conversations of life and faith

1. Consider watching this week's [message recap](#) to review the big ideas and kick-start your conversations.
2. If you're familiar with the gospel stories, what would you say is the main difference you see between the Pharisees and Jesus? What do you think made the Pharisees so resistant to change or progress?
3. Read and reflect on the parable in [Luke 19:11-27](#). What do you think made the third servant so afraid of the king? What role does fear play in your spiritual life? How can fear hold us back from making spiritual progress? What are some examples of the kind of "return on investment" Jesus is hoping for us to earn for him?

LOVE TOGETHER | Being real to care and make a difference

1. "Southridge is not the church we were a decade ago and we're not the church we will be a decade from now." How have you experienced positive change or progress at Southridge? In what ways has it been difficult to embrace such change? Where do you see a need for us to make more progress in the way of Jesus?
2. What progress might Jesus be inviting you toward in order to become a fuller reflection of his love?
3. Encourage one another to commit to the next four weeks of our annual Hope Lives series. What if we all went 4-for-4 in being at church together for the next four Sundays? How might we benefit from the encouragement that comes from gathering together? How might we grow in love by investing in this series together?