

## CONVERSATION STARTERS

APRIL 18, 2021

### LEADER CHECK-IN

1. With stay-at-home orders in place, the weight and exhaustion of pandemic life grows by the day. We get it and we're praying for you. Whether through Zoom, text threads, or occasional outdoor visits, let's persevere.
2. As an alternate option or support for your group, consider joining one of our [Short-Term Spring Groups](#).

### GET STARTED

1. Feel free to [watch this week's service](#) as a group or [revisit the message](#) for review.
2. Have you ever had an experience of being picked last? What was it like? How did it feel?

### READ

1. Read [1 Corinthians 12:12-20](#). What does this passage teach us about the different parts of the body? How does this relate to the church community?
2. Read [1 Corinthians 12:21-26](#). What do these verses suggest about the role of each body part? If someone asked, what's the most vital part of the human body, what would you say? How visible is that part?
3. *"Prominence does not equate significance. Visibility does not equate value."* If this is true in our bodies, what makes us confuse this truth in the church?

### REFLECT

1. What might we be missing when we let the less noticeable parts of our community remain less noticeable?
2. What's the difference between tolerating something and valuing something? How about tolerating *someone* and valuing *someone*? How can we actually value the less visible parts of the Body of Christ?
3. What did you learn from Sue's story? What did you sense God was saying through Sue?

### RESPOND

1. Who has stood out to you as a less visible "body part" who has made a significant difference in your life? How could you encourage them and express gratitude to them this week?
2. What would it look like to draw people into your Life Group of a different age, stage, background, or ability?
3. What commitment can we make as a group to abandoning the "school-yard approach" of valuing people and trade it for the "biblical approach" of giving the most value to the least visible?



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