

CONVERSATION STARTERS

SOUTHRIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

May 15, 2022 | The Foundations of Faith

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

1. Plan a BBQ! On the cusp of the first long weekend of the warm-weather season, connect over a potluck BBQ with your group. Consider who else you could include and invite to expand your connections.
2. For those participating in our [daily gospel reading through the book of Luke](#), how's it going? Take a few minutes to share one insight about Jesus from this week's readings.

PRAY TOGETHER | Joining in on conversations of life and faith

1. Before your discussion, [watch this brief message recap](#) for Life Groups.
2. Have you ever felt like you don't "fit the mold" of a faith community? Do you think you've ever made someone else feel that way? Share gently about these experiences.
3. Read [Ephesians 2:8-9](#) & [Galatians 3:26-28](#). How can these foundations of faith create a new sense of belonging in the faith community? What barriers get in the way of being this kind of community?
4. Read [Romans 14:13](#) & [19-20](#). Where do you sense these instructions speaking to you? Since your belonging isn't based on conformity, how should that change the way you help others belong?

LOVE TOGETHER | Being real to care and make a difference

1. [Read John 17:20-21](#). Who might discover more of the love of Jesus if we can learn to live as a community of belonging rather than a community of conformity?
2. Join Jesus's prayer for oneness. Consider a few people, or groups of people, who you know have been excluded and/or judged by the church, and pray for a deeper sense of love and unity with them.
3. Stay in touch through the week with prayer requests and encouragements. Share regular insights and learnings about how our readings through Luke are inspiring you to love and follow Jesus more.