

CONVERSATION STARTERS

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This is a guide to help start a conversation about this week's message. Feel free to pick, choose, and adapt as you see fit. You know your group best and can facilitate their experience by modifying as necessary.

ICE-BREAKERS

1. ***The Gospel of John / 21 Chapters in 21 Days***. How's it been going? How has this exercise helped you practice and experience the presence of God to a greater degree?
2. How was Thanksgiving? What did you learn about gratitude and generosity this weekend? Did anyone try the "Thanksgiving Table Liturgy" in this week's program?
3. What did you want to be when growing up? What inspired you about that career or vocation? If someone asked why you do what you do today (i.e. vocation, career, school major, etc.), what might you say?

REVIEW

1. You may want to watch this week's message as a refresher. Or, try picking a spot with 10-15 minutes to go to review the main application(s). Messages are found at southridgechurch.ca/messages.
2. Try one or two of these. What did you hear in this week's message? What ideas stood out? What did you agree with? Disagree with? What questions came to mind? How did it make you feel?

REFLECT

1. Read [Genesis 1:27-31](#). Based on the language in this passage, what do you think it means to "subdue" something and "rule over" it? How would you describe the way humanity has "subdued" and/or "ruled" over the world, the environment and fellow human beings?
2. Read [Acts 4:32-35](#). What word or phrase catches your attention in this passage? What do you like about that word or idea? Imagine a society where "there was no need among them." How do you think this would work? What would make it possible?

RESPOND

1. We are striving to be a "missional church," but what do you think it looks like to be a "missional person"? How do you think the programs, activities and causes of Southridge could help you live a more missional and difference-making life on a day-to-day basis?
2. What action step could you commit to in order to live out a purposeful difference in the world that might also help you experience more of the invitation of Jesus?
3. Which anchor cause at Southridge inspires the most passion in you? If you're not already involved, who could you commit to going to the next Discover event with? southridgechurch.ca/upcoming
4. In one sentence, how would you summarize the invitation you've sensed from Jesus throughout this series?