

Opening Questions for the Year

1. What was the best thing about this past summer for you?
2. What was the most challenging thing?
3. How would you summarize your walk with Christ over this summer?
4. What do you sense God has been speaking to you about?
5. What do you hope happens in your life, your character, your family, your walk with Christ, or whatever it might be... this year?
6. How might your Small Group help you in this?
7. What do you hope happens in your small group this year? (Greater connection? More celebrating? Deeper level of sharing? More structured accountability? More service opportunities? Raise the bar in some way? Better coffee?)

Read: Luke 15

Questions for this Weekend

1. This weekend was all about being “Relentlessly Focused on the Lost” one of three core pillars of RockPointe’s vision statement. Before we dive into the sermon content (Alpha video), what do you see in the heart of God in Luke 15?
2. Where would you say your heart is at? This is a pretty tough question, but let’s be honest, sometimes our passion and motivation to share our faith can go through ups and downs. Where do you feel you’re at and how can your small group pray for you in this? (You may want to take some time to pray for this right now)
3. What was your impression of the Alpha course video from the weekend?
4. Was there anything that surprised you? Anything new you learned? Anything that challenged your thinking?
5. Who comes to mind when you think about who you could invite to the Alpha course? (Depending on where you are at in your spiritual journey, it may even be you!)
6. What do you believe are the major blocks or issues in their coming to Christ?
7. What conversations have you had with them and how did they go?
8. What are some fears or hesitations that you hold onto when it comes to evangelism? How would you address those?

(Stop here and pray for those specific people. And pray that each of you would have boldness and faith as you speak to them and invite them to Alpha!)

This Week's Challenges

- Pray and ask God to help identify someone to invite to Alpha. Maybe you know who that person is already! Take a step of faith and invite them to join! You can use the cards from the weekend, or let them know they can sign up online at www.rockpointe.ca
- Consider your involvement as a small group. Your group could hold your own mini Alpha course as a small group for those you know this fall! Or, you can change up your small group plans this fall and become table hosts at a RockPointe Alpha course (this may be a great step if evangelism and "reaching out" is a weak spot for you and your group. It would be a great challenge and step of growth). If these opportunities interest you, just email Rita at rsangster@rockpointe.ca for more info!

Prayer

This is the most important thing that your Small Group can be doing right now. Pray, pray, pray. It is the Holy Spirit that will change lives so let's pray to that end! Here are some major prayer items your group can focus on:

1. For changed and transformed lives of all who participate in the Alpha course this fall... Not just at RockPointe but churches all over Alberta
2. For table hosts and childcare volunteers to step up and help
3. For table hosts to be spirit empowered and spirit led as they facilitate conversation
4. For the Holy Spirit to move powerfully at each Alpha session. We want to see spiritual breakthroughs, we want to see barriers broken down and bondage to sin broken apart. We want to see healing, deliverance and confession happen in their lives!
5. For God's protection. The enemy looks to destroy, and we need to be aware, vigilant and prayerful. (*Read Ephesians 6:10-18*)