

TALK IT OUT

WEEK FOUR

March 21 & March 22, 2015 "Be Anxious About No-THING"

God has exceeding and abundantly more for us than we could possibly imagine! He is ready and willing to show us these things and MORE as we begin to let Him do a NEW THING in and through us!

THEME VERSE

Isaiah 43:19 (NKJV)

"Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

TWEETABLE MOMENTS:

"There's a difference between DOING and BEING. It's easier to do the vision than to BE the vision."

"God hides treasures in ordinary broken vessels"

"Recognize that the same treasure that's in you is also in those around you."

"Don't make your experience your God. Make God your God."

Start with an icebreaker question to get everyone talking. Then choose questions that will work well with your group.

- 1. Talk about the difference between honoring and liking others.
- 2. Behold... BE-actively present, HOLD-carry something. Pastor Shawn talked about carrying the Holy Spirit instead of anxiety. What load are you sweating over from carrying?
- 3. We are all broken vessels. How are you guilty of rating the brokenness of others compared to your own brokenness?
- 4. How easy is it for you to admonish (warn or reprimand firmly) your friends when they are acting unruly?
- 5. If God wants us to have joy everyday and He also commands up to rejoice always--what is it that is stealing or distracting you from daily joy?
- 6. (read Philippians 4:4-7) Is anxiety or thankfulness your "goto" reaction?
- 7. Do you believe that God himself is guarding your heart and mind?
- 8. From the list given in 1 Thessalonians 5:14-22, what comes naturally to you and what is a challenge for you?

To introduce some different perspectives into the conversation, consider reading one of these verses together.

Revelations 22:12 (NKJV) Isaiah 43:19 (NKJV) Philippians 4:4-7 (NKJV) 1 Thessalonians 5:12-22 (NKJV)

End each week with a challenge to take action. Guide your group and help each person identify their next steps.

- Only pray making your requests with thanksgiving this week.
- Find a small portion of scripture in the New Testament and read it every day this week.

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