Honoring Your Family When Life Is Hard

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Community Group Discussion Questions

PLEASE READ BEFORE LEADING DISCUSSION

- Recommended questions are highlighted in bold, but <u>select 5 or 6 questions</u> you think will work best for your group discussion. You likely won't have time to discuss all of the questions so choose which questions you will ask ahead of time and make sure to provide plenty of time to focus on the application questions.
- Feel free to edit or reword questions to best fit your group.
- You may want to print out copies of this document for everyone so they can follow along with the questions as you read them.
- Check out this Facilitation Guide (http://bit.ly/CGFacilitationGuide) for tips on leading good discussions.

ICEBREAKER (5-10 Minutes)

- 1. Share your name and answer the following question:
 - o In what ways are you like your mom?

OPENING THE DISCUSSION (5-10 Minutes) – Have someone recap the message in about a minute or two and then ask the following questions:

2. Looking at your notes from Sunday's message, what scripture, ideas, or stories most resonated with you?

DIGGING DEEPER (10-15 Minutes) – ask everyone to follow along in their Bible or Bible app. You might consider looking up these passages online and sharing your screen to review them together.

- 3. Read Ruth 2:1-23.
 - What stands out to you from this part of Ruth and Naomi's story?
 - What would it look like for us today to follow the example of Ruth?
 - o What can we learn from Boaz's example in how he treated Ruth?
 - Where do we see God at work in this story of hardship?
- 4. Read Ephesians 6:1-3.
 - What are ways we can show honor to our parents, even if we have a difficult relationship with them?
 - o What is one way you can honor your parents?

APPLYING IT (10-20 Minutes) - These may be great to ask in prayer time

- 5. Where are you having a hard time doing the right thing? What would it look like for you to be faithful to God in this?
- 6. What was your biggest takeaway from Sunday's message?

GROWTH GOALS: (Print Growth Goal Forms or share the link online) – this may be great to discuss in prayer time.

7. How are you progressing in the growth goal you set at the beginning of the group trimester? How can we support you in your goal?