



Discussion Guide for “Stay Focused”

Good News (For a Change) Week 5

When we share the Good News of Jesus with people, it's easy to get distracted by a lot of side issues - conversations that are important, but not as important as knowing Jesus. How can we stay focused on the main thing: a relationship with Jesus?

Scriptures for Further Reading

[John 4:4-26](#)

[Isaiah 6:1-8](#)

[Psalm 138](#)

[Luke 5:1-11](#)

[1 Corinthians 15:1-11](#)

Passage for Sacred Reading:

Sacred Reading is a way of reading Scripture with an eye toward transformation, not just information. You can find a [step-by-step guide here](#). The passage for this week's sacred reading is [1 Corinthians 15:1-11](#).

Questions for Discussion

1. What are some barriers people erect to faith? What issues get brought up as prerequisites before people can follow Jesus?
2. What experience do you have with apologetics? Have you been taught to defend your faith? Or have you ended up on the wrong side of an argument?
3. How do you see Jesus using the tips and strategies we've discussed in this series so far with the woman in John 4?
4. What barriers do you see in the lives of your friends and family who are far from Jesus?
5. How can you navigate conversations with those friends to dismantle those barriers to a relationship with Jesus?