

# GROUP DISCUSSION SHEET

In the Wilderness...more than Numbers | Week 2 | Oct 12 & 13, 2024

## Scripture and Big Idea

Numbers 13-14 | Rebellion robs us of the flourishing life Jesus offers.

## Questions for Connection *(Offer these to help the group become comfortable and connected)*

1. "I really did!" Share an interesting fact about yourself that most people would not guess.
2. Finish the sentence, "I would never...."

## Questions for Study *(Fact questions get people reading the Bible. Application questions get people talking. Both are needed.)*

Warm up:           What principle from the sermon caused you to think in a new way?  
                          Was there a question in the Live it Out that you would like to discuss together?

### **Read Numbers Chapter 13 Doubt in God's goodness is the seed of rebellion**

1. How did the spies describe the land and the people? What made some of them fearful?
2. How is fear connected to doubt in God's goodness? When have you faced a fearful situation recently?
3. What made Caleb and Joshua see the situation so differently? What truths help you to have faith when facing adversity?

### **Read Numbers Chapter 14 Adversity tests our willingness to trust Jesus**

4. What was the reaction of the people? What stands out to you in the prayer of Moses for the people?
5. What were the consequences for disobedience? How does the punishment still show the grace of God?
6. Many never got to enter the promised land. How can shrinking back in fear keep us from experiencing God's best today? Can you give a personal example?

### **Read Matt 4:1-11 and Matt 26:36-39 Jesus demonstrates the trust he desires**

7. What promises did Jesus hold to when facing temptation? What promises do you hold on to?
8. What action did Jesus take when he was faced with going to the cross? How did he demonstrate trust?
9. Read Psalm 77:3-12: When have you felt distress to this degree? What past faithfulness can you rehearse to the group? Recall both God's faithfulness in history and his personal faithfulness to you. How are both helpful?

### ***"Go to" for any text***

1. What is your biggest take away from this lesson?
2. What did you learn about God from this passage?
3. How will you pray differently as a result of what you learned?
4. What one change will you make in your life from this lesson?
5. What is a key verse for you from this text?

## Questions to ask Jesus *(Offer these for personal reflection before your group prayer time)*

1. Ask Jesus, "Where am I fearing situations without considering your power and presence?"
2. Ask Jesus, "What do you want me to know about your goodness?"