



3Group Discussion Resources

For the week of September 21-27, 2020

3Groups are centered around three main rhythms of apprenticeship from which we take our **CUE**. Allow plenty of time to share life with one another through conversation and catching up from the previous week. Listen to each person and hear how they have experienced victory and where they feel defeated. Use the questions below to help facilitate your discussion.

Courageous vulnerability

Poverty in Spirit is about embracing our brokenness and the fact that we can never be right with God in our own power. It is also something that we'd rather run from. Take a moment and finish one of the following sentences.

- Being open and honest about my brokenness is difficult because...
- When confronted by my brokenness, I have a tendency to hide by...
- The area of my life that I really don't want to let people into is...

Understanding and applying God's Word

Read Matthew 5:3 as a group. Take some time to answer the following questions.

- Where is Jesus inviting us to see ourselves and others in a new way?
- What do these realities reveal about God's heart for us?
- Where do I most want to resist what Jesus is saying in this passage?
- What do I find in Jesus' words most difficult to believe?
- What would it look like to align my life with Jesus' perspective in a given situation?

Experiences that encourage us to live as apprentices of Jesus

When Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden, their first action was to hide. We have not stopped hiding and we continue to build complex ways of hiding from God and one another. These are the ways that we resist our poverty in spirit. It's only as we bring these ways of hiding into the light that we can find

freedom. Ask Jesus to reveal where you tend to hide. It could be success, accomplishment, money, sex, etc. Draw a picture of the “mask” you have a tendency to wear. In your group, take a few moments to share one of those things and pray for freedom together.

