"Jesus, The Only Way"

Open The Conversation: Share something that made you laugh this week!

Key Scripture: Read the following together.

For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted the heavenly gift, and have become partakers of the Holy Spirit, 5 and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, 6 if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put Him to an open shame. 7 For the earth which drinks in the rain that often comes upon it, and bears herbs useful for those by whom it is cultivated, receives blessing from God; 8 but if it bears thorns and briers, it is rejected and near to being cursed, whose end is to be burned. 9 But, beloved, we are confident of better things concerning you, yes, things that accompany salvation, though we speak in this manner.

Hebrews 6:4-9 NKJV

- 1. What does this scripture tell me about me?
- 2. What does this scripture tell me about God?

Start Sharing: Choose one question to start the conversation, move onto others if time allows.

- What does the passage above teach us about the seriousness of falling away from the faith? How can we encourage each others to stay faithful in the face of discouragement or persecution?
- In verses 7-8, the author uses the analogy of soil bearing fruit. What kind of "fruit" should our lives produce as followers of Jesus, and how can we help one another grow in this fruitfulness?
- How do you personally respond to the struggles and pressures of following Jesus, especially when faced with discouragement or opposition? Are there areas where you have felt tempted to ease off or give up? What does it look like to press into Jesus and keep going?
- In what ways have you experienced the transforming power of the Holy Spirit in your life? How do you see that transformation continuing to take place?
- Consider the difference between true repentance and just feeling sorrow for your actions. How do you ensure that your repentance is directed toward Jesus and not just a worldly or self-focused remorse?
- Start Praying: Pray together and for one another.

 "God, highlight the unrepentant areas in our heart and lead us to true repentance. Help us to pursue you authentically and diligently. We long to be near you. Amen."