

“Search My Heart!”

Open The Conversation: Share a high moment and low moment from your week.

Key Scripture: Read the following together.

Search me, O God, and know my heart;

Try me, and know my anxieties;

And see if there is any wicked way in me,

And lead me in the way everlasting.

Psalms 139:23-24 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.

- Reflect on the prayer, "Search me and know my heart, O Lord." Are there areas in your life where you may have become desensitized or tried to cover up hurt with something other than Jesus? How can you invite God into those places today?
- In what areas of your life do you struggle to depend on God? Like the example of self-sufficiency in the message, where have you tried to handle things on your own, rather than inviting God into your struggles? How can you cultivate a greater dependence on Him and be more open to receiving help from others? Pray about these things together today!
- How can we as a community be peacemakers in a divided world? What are some practical steps we can take as a group to encourage peace in our relationships, workplaces, or broader community, especially during times of division?
- What does it mean to keep our hearts open before the Lord, and how does that affect our relationships with others? Considering the message about keeping our hearts in a place open before the Lord, how can we ensure our emotional wounds or past hurts do not hinder how we love others? What role does vulnerability before God play in strengthening our relationships with those around us?
- **Start Praying: Pray together and for one another.**

“God, we ask you to search and know us. Heal our hearts and help us to be your peacemakers every day. We love and honor you. Amen.”