SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

We've Got Issues Week 1



CONNECT

Spend some time checking in. What are highs and lows since you last met? How can your group members pray for and support each other this week?

GROW

In what ways have you experienced "being family" as something that's complicated? When has it been more positive, and what made it that way?

What is your "it" in the question: Are we doing it right with our family?

What do you see as the difference between "peacemaking" and "peacekeeping"? When have experienced peacekeepers as being masters of avoidance or masters of intimidation? What could peace making look like for you?

What changes in your understanding of peace if it's defined as "I wish the highest good for you"?

Where is God leading you to tell the truth in love, apologize when you're wrong, or forgive and let go?

BIBLE

Read Matthew 5:1-12, Ephesians 4:14-16, James 5:13-16 and Colossians 3:12-17. What do you notice?

PRAY

Lord of Peace, you know there is no family that is perfect. All families have quarrels and experience failures, and are in need of your peace. Today, allow us to open ourselves to the work You want to do in us individually, and as a family. We turn to You for the hope and help that only You can give. Amen.

