

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

We've Got Issues Week 3



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

Have you ever questioned the goodness or presence of God because of the pain and suffering facing the world? Why or why not?

What is harder to grapple with - perceiving that God is absent or that God is silent?

Does your faith play a role in the midst of difficult times? If so, how? If not, why do you think that is?

How have family circumstances impacted your confidence in the goodness or presence of God?

What changes for you knowing that God enters into your pain? How does that affect your understanding of family?

BIBLE

Read John 11:1-44. 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.

