GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Sexuaity
Genesis 2:15–25
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NOTES

Pastor Matt reminded us that we choose to be a loving, truth-filled community, and that we honor the gift of our sexuality by recognizing that our bodies belong to God. He has designed them for a particular purpose.

MY STORY

Describe a time when someone treated you with dignity, kindness, or generosity during a season when you felt especially vulnerable.

WHAT DOES GOD WANT US TO HEAR?

Mercy triumphs over judgment (James 2:13)

How does James illustrate the difference between genuine faith and empty religious words?

What's the relationship between our showing mercy to others and God showing mercy to us?

WHAT DOES GOD WANT US TO DO?

When it comes to potentially heated discussions about sexuality, why is it of the utmost importance to convey genuine empathy and caring to the person with whom we are speaking?

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO?

Pastor Matt said, "This church is a home where you have space to process, space to discern, and space to discover what it looks like to flourish in Christ. You are welcomed here even if you do not hold to the historical Christian sexual ethics — and if anyone says otherwise, you just find me."

In light of this admonition, how do we best prepare our hearts before entering into any conversation about sexuality?

Looking back at your notes from this week's message, was there anything you heard for the first time, stuck with you, challenged or confused you?

What is the one important thing you will take away from this weekend's message or our community group discussion? Is there any challenge, difficulty or praise that you would like to share with the group for prayer?

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