

QUESTIONS WEEK BEGINNING 5th October 2026

Icebreaker: Have you ever visited another church and not felt welcome?

READ James 2:1-13

1. In view of what Jesus said to his parents when they found him in the temple (Luke 2:49) and his parables about the talents (Matthew 25:14-30, Luke 19:13-27), how do you feel about viewing our Christian life as a business?
2. In Romans 6:14, Paul says we are not under law, but James says we should keep the law (James 1:25, 2:8-9, 12-13, 4:11-12) How can we reconcile this? (Matthew 5:17-18 should help)
3. Are there times when we forget the words of Jesus, "Apart from me you can do nothing." (John 15:5)?
4. Do we regularly thank God for His love for us?
5. Do we show that love by loving other Christians?
6. Do we show that love by loving even our enemies?
7. How do we treat those who are poorer than we are?
8. How do we treat those who are richer than us?
9. Are there other categories of people whom we are tempted to treat differently?
10. How can we cultivate our Hope, Faith and especially our Love?

You may wish to include this prayer of Paul in your group prayer:

Philippians 1:9–11 And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God.