Small Group Questions
October 13, 2019
God Never Said That
Message: "It doesn't matter what you believe as long as you're sincere"

This six week series will examine some of the most common statements that sound biblical but are not found in the Bible. These beliefs can misguide us versus God's reliable direction for our lives. Some of the statements have become a part of our culture so that they sound American as well as spiritual. Each week, we will unpack one statement and look at the reality of what God revealed to us about that idea from one central passage.

The hope of this series is to model the value of biblical accuracy and to apply God's truth in various areas of life. It is likely that these statements will provoke a lot of conversation and perhaps even some pushback. The pushback may well be challenges against the ideas we seek to correct. As always, please know that as a group leader, you are not on an island. If you have questions brought to you or situations where you feel you need help, please reach out to the staff.

Thank you once again for you service to God by loving the people in your group!

 (Questions to get everyone to participate)

1. When you travel, do you find it easy or hard to connect with places "far from home?" Explain.

2. Do you believe that political rants on Facebook are changing minds? Why or why not?

(Questions based on the primary texts)

Read Acts 17:16-34.

3. What do you make of Paul "reasoning" (:17) and "conversing" (:18) with various people in various places?

4. Based on the passage, how did Paul try to connect with people of Athens?

5. In what ways did Paul challenge the beliefs of the Athenians?

6. What points of connection can a follower of Jesus have with today's culture? (What do people of faith in the Jesus of the Bible have in common with our culture?)

7. How would you share God's good news of a relationship with Him to a person with no church background?

8. How can someone be respectful of all people and share their faith in the Jesus of the Bible?