

Questions - 'Our Kingdom Life: Below the Surface'

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If you heard the message:

- Share the 'Our Kingdom Life' diagram with the group. Draw it.
- What are your feelings and insights about it?
- What is significant about the word, 'our' here?

Read Mark 1:15 and Matthew 6:10. What do you understand is the kingdom of God?

In our Kingdom Life tree metaphor Rod looked 'below the surface'.

- Read Matthew 6:33 and Ephesians 4:14-15. What do they say about our spiritual growth?
- Who is responsible for your spiritual growth?
- Reflect on your Christian life. What has helped you grow spiritually in the past? What will help you grow spiritually? What action is required from you?
- What part do other people play in your growth? Talk about people who played a big part in your growth. Share about the people who you have played a significant role in their spiritual growth. What do you notice? What hinders you intentionally helping others to grow spiritually (mentor, coach, discipler)? What do you do with that?
- Read Jeremiah 17:7-8 and Psalm 1. What is significant here for discipleship?

Growing spiritually is not about trying harder, but we do need to be intentional in our growth. The first thing is to always know and believe that you are accepted, embraced and loved by God. How does that sit with you? It is also good to know God is at work; Philippians 1:6.

Rod left us with these questions to ponder. Share these in your group.

1. Do you desire a DEEPER relationship with Jesus? What action will you take?
2. Do you need to take more responsibility for your own Spiritual development? Chat that through with someone!
3. Who are you doing this Kingdom Life with? We can't do this in isolation. Join a group, ask for a mentor, be discipled! What will help you to be a discipler (you are needed to disciple others)?