

1. Are you a regular guy or girl? Can you relate to Joseph's blue-collar occupation? Do you love working with your hands? Do you like tools? Tell about your favorite tool? Do you like to stick to a plan?
2. Faith is believing God's word and acting on it no matter how I feel, knowing that God promises a good result. Discuss this definition with your group. How is this different from other ideas you've had about faith?
3. Is it difficult for you when God dismantles your plan? How has God done this in your life recently? How painful was it? How did God build your faith through it?
4. Looking back at that experience, what did God accomplish? Would you have had to exercise faith if God had revealed all of His plan at the beginning?
5. When you are caught between what makes sense and what God says, what should you do? Are you there now?
6. What do you think Joseph "considered" before God revealed his plan in a dream? Do you take enough time to consider (or wonder) what God is doing in your life?
7. Do you ever pray for divine guidance without searching the scripture for direction? Why is it dangerous to rely on dreams apart from scriptural confirmation?
8. Sometimes faith means moving quickly as Joseph did when he fled to Egypt. Sometimes exercising faith requires waiting patiently as Joseph did before returning to Nazareth. Right now, what is faith requiring of you? Are you obeying?
9. For the guys: What did faith and obedience require Joseph to do as a husband? What is faith and obedience requiring of you a single or married guy? How would fear and doubt in Joseph have affected his family? How is it affecting yours?