

1. When you think of authentic relationships what comes to mind?
2. Read 1 John 1:1-2. Why does John use such descriptive words to explain his interactions with Jesus? What words do you use to describe your interactions with Jesus?
3. Have you had an authentic experience with Jesus? Have you told others about your authentic experience?
4. Who first shared with you the Gospel of Jesus? What stood out to you about their personal experience with Christ?
5. Which definition of *Koinonia* do you resonate with Hawaiian punch and stale cookies in a musty room with Bible bingo *or* Association based upon the sharing of something in common? What types of fellowship with others have you had in the past?
6. Have you experienced joy through sharing what you have seen, heard and looked upon?
7. Read through the following passages.
 - a. Psalms 119:105 (Light guides our steps) – How has God guided your steps?
 - b. Psalms 27:1 (Light strengthens our resolve) – How has God strengthened your resolve?
 - c. Ephesians 5:11-14a (Light steers us away from sinful acts of darkness) – How has God steered you away from sinful acts?
 - d. John 3:19 (Light exposes darkness) – How has God exposed your own sinfulness?
 - e. John 8:12 (Light assures us of eternal life) – How has God assured you of eternal life?
8. Have there been seasons where you have been lying to others by acting like you were a 'light' walker?
9. Is it tempting to view your past as an excuse for your sin?

10. Read 1 John 1:9. Have you confessed your sinfulness to others in your small group? Take a moment during small group to confess sins to one another and pray with each other.

11. What is the difference between confession and apology? Which are you most prone to do with God?