



Start off with...

Connect with each other
in joy and concern

Conversation Guidelines

Discussion Questions

Closing Prayer



Questions to guide your discussion;
As time allows, welcome general
converation about the sermon

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- **Around the Circle:** A question to get everyone talking and involved
 - What passage(s) of Scripture marked your life? If not a Scripture, what poem, writing, music selection or movie?
 - **Select Few:** A question for a few group members to offer personal experience or vulnerable insights.
 - The 1st century Colossians were facing lots of external pressure in relation to their faith. What are some of the outside pressures that you face in the 21st century that challenge your faith in Christ?
 - In what ways do we segment our lives? How does this help or harm us when it comes to living more faithfully as followers of Christ?
 - Paul reminds us that Jesus is the visible image of an invisible reality (God). What have you read, heard, or seen about Jesus that has helped you with the invisible realities that you face in life? (i.e. suffering)
 - In verse 20, we discover that Jesus came not to demand something from us, but to provide something for us. What are the false gods in your life demanding FROM you? And what has Jesus provided FOR you?
 - Paul says that what God wants for us is reconciliation and peace. Where do you currently most need these gifts in your life?
 - **Dig Deep:** A question that may/may not be answered in session, but should be encouraged for people to wrestle with all week.
 - What is the single greatest fear that keeps you from pursuing Christ alone in 2023? What is going to take for you to overcome that fear this year?