

Checking In

1. Take a few minutes to check in with everyone and share about a person for whom you are thankful, also share any challenges that you faced this past week?
1. Church Life –Parenting from the Heart – May 29th, 6:30-8 p.m. Men’s Retreat – June 1st, 9:00-4:00 p.m. Register online. Golf Tournament – June 9th.
2. What insights did you gain from the sermon and our passage in 1 Samuel 1:1-20? What specifically encouraged or challenged you from this week’s sermon?

Listening

Exploring God’s Word

Read & Re-tell

Read: 1 Samuel 1:1-20

Read: Have one person read the entire passage all the way through.

Re-read: 1 Samuel 1:1-20

Re-read: Have a second person reread the passage all the way through using a different translation.

Re-tell: 1 Samuel 1:1-20

Re-tell: Have someone re-tell the entire story/content of the passage.

Review: 1 Samuel 1:1-20

As a group together fill in any missing or important details which might have been missed in the re-telling.

Learning

Examining God’s Word

- *What does this passage teach us about God (His character, His attributes, His ways of working, etc.)?*
- *What does God do in the story/passage?*
- *What does this passage teach us about people/mankind?*
- *What does this passage teach us about the church and the world around us?*

Leaning In

Responding to God’s Word.

- *What does this passage teach us about obedience to God and His word?*
- *What is God asking you to do, change, or be as a result of reading this passage?*
- *With whom might God be asking you to share these truths with this week?*

Loving

Responding to God

In light of this week's sermon in our series, "**THIS WASN'T THE PLAN,**" how is God inviting you to respond?

- Take a few moments in silent prayer to ask God, in light of this passage, how is God inviting you to respond in your thinking, beliefs, and/or actions?

Share with your group

1. What is a belief you have that this passage is calling you to reconsider?
2. Is there any step of obedience God is inviting you to take?
3. How might the Holy Spirit be using this passage to change how you think about God, yourself, or others?

Lifting Up

Praying for Others

- What is happening in my own life right now that I need to share and for which I need prayer?

- This week I am committed to praying for _____ about:

Checking Out

- What was most meaningful about this group session for you (*Give each person 1-2 sentences to share*)?