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MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

Please feel free to pick and choose questions that relate best to you and your Life Group.

Starting Point Week 3

Ice-Breaker - Have you ever taken a first step in restoring a relationship? If so, what was it like for you?

When have you seen someone demonstrate great faith despite his or her circumstances? How is this possible?

Is it easy for you to embrace the idea that maybe **the starting point for our relationship with God is as simple as faith**? Does it seem like it needs to be faith plus something else?

Which of the following reflects your view of God? Why?

- God accepts me based upon my birth.
- God accepts me based upon my behavior.
- God accepts me based upon my belief.
- God accepts me based upon some combination of the above.

Describe which model you grow up with.

Which model feels most comfortable to you? Why is that?

Which model have you intentionally or unintentionally followed? Why?

Which model has God revealed through this week's message?

What experiences have you had that have made it difficult for you to trust God?

In what area of your life is God currently calling you to trust him more?

What is one thing you can do this week to trust Him more? What can this group do to support you?

God reached out to one man—Abraham—and asked for his trust. In return for Abraham's faith, God credited him with righteousness and cleared a path for personal relationship. Are you convinced that He makes that same offer to you and me?