Week One | Table Time

Icebreakers

Choose to share one of the following facts about yourself with the table:

· Name your 3rd grade teacher and the school you attended

· What you ate for dinner last night

· Your hidden talent

Share with the table which best describes you:

· I am a bread-maker: sourdough, Amish friendship bread, yeast rolls, cinnamon bread, etc.

· I am a bread connoisseur: My favorite is______

· Bread has carbs, so I'm OUT!

Have you ever said something that you thought was "in confidence", but ended up reaching a far wider audience? How did that make you feel?

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Discussion Time

Have one person read Luke 12:1-7 in ESV out loud, and then have a second person read Luke 12:1-7 from The Message version. (Use your smartphone, if needed)
What stood out to you in hearing the different translations?

Have you ever felt like a hypocrite? If appropriate, share an area in which you struggle to live consistently. How does that threaten your witness inside your home or as you seek to live in community with others?

Who do you know best in the world? Who knows you the best? Do you know the hairs on their head or are they yours'? Go around the table and share ONE word to describe how verse Luke 12:7.

In Luke 12:5 Jesus says, "But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him!" What response does this verse invoke in you? How are we to receive this warning as modern-day believers?

Why do you think Jesus spoke to the disciples first?

The disciples had a teachable heart, unlike the Pharisees. Discuss the qualities of a "teachable heart". Bonus points for Scriptures that support your answers!

If Time Allows...

Where do we see hypocrisy in our world today? In the church (God's people)?

What are some other warnings Jesus gives us? Other things to beware of?

Take a closer look at what Paul tell us about our speech in Ephesians 4 and 5?

What are some other passages in God's Word that assure us that He knows us intimately?