

BLESS

July 22

Opening Up:

- When you are the only person in a room who doesn't know someone else, what do you do? What's your strategy for gaining comfort in that socially awkward moment?
- How do you handle awkward conversations? Do you dive right in or ease into it slowly? Why?

Reference: John 3:1-15

Discuss:

1. What did God say to you in the sermon this week?
2. What do you think God wants you to do about what you heard in the message?
3. How can the group help you with that?
4. Who was the first person to share their faith with you?
5. In John 3 Jesus talks to Nicodemus about the born again reality of the Christian. Every Christian has a "made new" story; a story an old life being made new by a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17). If you have a story tell it using this outline:
 1. **Before:** My story before I committed my life to following Jesus
 2. **During:** My story of how I made a commitment to following Jesus
 3. **After:** My story after I made a commitment to following Jesus
6. What are the common threads you have heard in each others stories?
7. Have you ever witnessed to someone else by telling your story?
8. What makes share your faith hard?
9. How does the BLESS habits make sharing your faith easier?
 1. Be Prayerful
 2. Listen
 3. Eat
 4. Serve
 5. Share
10. Who do you need to share the good news about Jesus with?
11. How can we pray for you?