## **LIFEGROUPS**

learning together • loving one another

## Sermon-based Discussion Questions<sup>1</sup>

"Hard-pressed Thankfulness" from 11/24/19 2 Corinthians 4:7-18

SPOILER ALERT: You may not want to read these until AFTER you have heard the sermon.

- In your experience, has it been easier for you to be thankful when times are good or when times are bad? Explain. What have you found to be one of the best ways to express thankfulness?
- 2. If you don't mind sharing, what is one of the more difficult times that you have faced in life? How would you describe the range of emotions that people go through when facing hard times? How can we find the strength we need to face our hard times?
- 3. What are some of the causes of suffering in our world? When facing hard times, what else can we do besides say, "all we can do is pray?" In other words, how can our hard times be useful rather than wasted?
- 4. How can we genuinely give thanks in the midst of difficult times? How can we encourage other people in the midst of their difficult times without making them feel worse? (See Proverbs 25:20)
- 5. How can our Life Group encourage each other during hard times? What are some things that our Life Group can pray about together?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Sermon archive available at <a href="https://efcbemidji.org/watch-read/sermons/sermon-list/">https://efcbemidji.org/watch-read/sermons/sermon-list/</a> Life Group Questions available at <a href="https://efcbemidji.org/watch-read/resources/category/life-group-questions/">https://efcbemidji.org/watch-read/resources/category/life-group-questions/</a>