



Yes, AND - Jeff Mickey

Icebreaker:

1. Do you think angels and demons exist? Why or why not?
2. What's one guilty pleasure you enjoy too much to give up?

Engage the Bible: Have someone read the following piece of scripture and then discuss what stood out to you and why?

2 Corinthians 4:12-18

12 So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.

13 It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken." Since we have that same spirit of faith, we also believe and therefore speak, **14** because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself. **15** All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. **17** For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. **18** So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Small Group Discussion Questions:

- What's the best thing you've ever seen?
- When something hard happens at work or home, what's typically your first reaction? What do you focus on?
- What is something you've heard about heaven that you hope is true?
- What do you think it means to carry Jesus' death around in our bodies? AND his life? How does this encourage you?
- Journal one good thing a day, gratitude walk, remember/meditate on things to come - which of these are you most likely to do?