



THE POWER OF WE
GATEWAY GROUPS DISCUSSION GUIDE

What Does God Want?

Focus God wants us. We know God wants us because He created us for fellowship with Him and He paid a high price for us. When we know how much God loves us, we are encouraged to love one another.

Open If you could choose to have any single item in the world that is a want, not a need, what would it be?

- Talk**
1. Read Genesis 1:26–27. Why do you think God decided to have fellowship with mankind? What is it about people that you think God enjoys?
 2. What is something God created in you that you think God likes about you?
 3. Often we talk about a person's net worth. How would you feel about yourself if you knew your net worth was over 40 trillion dollars? What do you think God's appraisal is of your net worth and how do you know?
 4. Read Hebrews 9:12. God chose to redeem us. What does the price of something tell us about its value? If God bought us with His life, what is God telling us about our value to Him?
 5. How does the world often make us feel about ourselves and our value?
 6. Why is it sometimes so hard for us to believe that God values and wants us so much?
 7. *Read Ephesians 1:4–5. God chose us before the creation of the world. When we know God wants us, how does it encourage our hearts to draw near to Him?

Live

1. If Bill Gates gave you a single object worth over 2 billion dollars, describe how you would treat that object. Based on God's value of people, what are some ways we should treat one another?
2. God can create gold just as easily as He created people. Why do you think He likes people better than gold? Why do you think people often like gold better than other people? What does this show us about our value system compared to God's value system?
3. Read Matthew 10:30–31 and Matthew 6:26–27. How does knowing our worth to God keep us from being afraid and from worrying?
4. *Read John 15:9–13 and 1 John 4:9–12. Tell about one way God has shown His love to you. What are some practical ways we can show God's love to someone else?
5. How does doing a project together like "Groups Give" demonstrate God's love to the world? What are some ways your group can get involved in "Groups Give"?

Pray

Pray that God would reveal to our hearts how valuable we are to Him and how much He loves us. Pray for opportunities to demonstrate God's love to the world.

* Key points for leaders.