

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. When have you felt the closest in your walk with the Lord—during a particular time of upheaval or in a season of contentment?

WORLDVIEW

2. As conservative, reformed Christians, we are wary of the excesses and abuses of those that promote the false message of health, wealth and prosperity for believers. However, in our desire to avoid driving into the ditch of such falsehood, we could land up in the ditch on the opposite side of the road.

How would you describe this opposite ditch?

What makes us get stuck in it? Where then should we drive?

DIGGING DEEPER

3. If Jesus knew who had touched him by faith for healing, why would he go on to identify the person publicly?

4. What does someone need to know, understand and believe about Jesus before they become a Christian?

5. What's the longest you've ever prayed for something without receiving an answer from the Lord? Did he, in fact, answer, but just not in the way you'd hoped?

How do we know when to stop praying for something?

Has God ever accomplished other works of grace in your life by not directly or immediately answering your prayers?

6. How do each of the miraculous interactions that Jesus had—the healing of the unknown woman, and the resurrection of Jairus's daughter—portray the truths of salvation?
7. Our study in the Gospel of Mark thus far has shown us how Jesus interacted and ministered to all types of people, from all levels of society, in all sorts of places. Comment on his lack of partiality and critique your interactions in light of his example.
8. How do these miraculous events that happened so long ago, and in such a different context to ours, provide you with hope and an increased ability to trust him?

As you do your regular grocery shopping, please remember to add something to your trolley to donate to the Food for the Family ministry. Regularly used items include: rice (1kg or 2kg); juice; washing powder (auto or hand wash); cooking oil (750ml or 2-litre); peanut butter; syrup; jam; tea; coffee; sandwich spread; pilchards; tuna; cake flour; baked beans; butter beans; mixed vegetables; tomato and onion mix; other canned foods; Cremora or long-life milk; pasta; noodles; condiments (tomato sauce, mustard), etc.; sugar (1kg or 2.5kg); mielie meal; bath soap; deodorant (roll-on); toothpaste. Speak to Patson Ngidi for more information.