



Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of August 22-23, 2026

No need to answer every question. Feel free to jump around.

God in a Box

(I Samuel 3:19-5:12)

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Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud together I Samuel 3:19-5:12.

What words, phrases, concepts, or images from these verses stand out to you as you just read them, or create curiosity for you in some way?

What aspects of Pastor Alan's message gave you fresh insight into this passage, or helped you the most in understanding these verses and what we experience here?

In what ways have you put God in a box throughout your life?

How have you seen others put God in a box?

What factors cause us to treat God in this manner?

How often do you approach God asking for blessing on your life before asking Him if you are even on the path He desires for you?

If we believe that God is wiser than us, why are we at times so hesitant to ask Him what He wants before we move forward?

Reflecting on last week's sermon, how confident are you that God will speak to you when you seek His counsel?

When have you plowed forward, asked for blessing, and then been surprised when God did not respond as expected?

What do you learn, if anything, from this or these experiences?

When have you assumed you knew what God wanted only to be surprised that this was not His plan?

How did this impact your walk with Him?

If you have not done so already, take a moment to think about current areas of your life where maybe you are plowing ahead without pausing to ask God if you are heading in the correct direction.

If anything comes to mind, share with the group a bit about this current reality.

What might you be needing to ask God in this current season?

How easy or challenging is it for you to surrender to God before moving forward?

If it is challenging, what is at the heart of this reluctance?

What does it look like for you to honestly seek God's counsel?

When has approaching God in this way saved you frustration and led you to greater blessing?

Where have you been tempted to seek guidance other than God?

How has that gone?

Conclude by praying for one another in taking practical next steps in applying this weekend's message and group discussion, after which pray for group needs and concerns.

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