



Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of October 3-4, 2026

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

True Security

(1 Samuel 12)

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Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud together 1 Samuel 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 KJ's message gave you fresh insight into this passage, or helped you the most in understanding these verses and what we experience here?

What tends to provide you with a sense of security?

In 1 Samuel 12:1-5 we read that Israel wanted something they could **see** that would make them feel secure.

What do you think Israel was really looking for when they asked for a king?

What is the difference between being responsible for something and feeling responsible for its outcome? Why is that distinction so important?

Instead of telling Israel to figure out how to feel more secure, Samuel tells them to **remember** (12:6-11).

Why do you think Samuel responds to their insecurity by reminding them of their history with God? What does remembering do that simply being told “trust God” does not?

When has God provided, carried, delivered, or met you?

How could remembering God's faithfulness become an act of worship in your everyday life?

Samuel reminds his listeners that **God was already their King** and that their security ultimately rests not in what they can control, but in who God is (12:12-19).

When have potentially good things in your life become the things you depend upon for peace?

When you don't feel secure, what aspects of God's character are most important for you to remember and how does this change your experience as you encounter things outside of your control?

Samuel reminds his listeners that **God will not abandon them** (12:20-24).

Why can it be difficult to believe that God will not abandon us?

How might your relationship with God change if you really lived from the confidence that His faithfulness does not depend on your ability to hold everything together?

In the face of fear, Samuel challenges his listeners to **consider what God has done** and let that remembrance shape how they live (12:24-25)

When you are afraid, how do you typically respond?

How might remembering God's faithfulness change that response?

What is something you are currently afraid of?

How could you respond differently to this current situation and grow in being secure in who God is?

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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