



Grateful Discussion Guide

Week Five

Day 21: “The Good Gardener”

Discussion Questions:

—Part of today’s passage said, “When we trust in the Lord through thanksgiving, we come to see the soil of our suffering not as worthless but as the ground where he is working good.” What are those areas of your life where you can look back now and see—when it seemed about impossible in the moment—that God was actually working good?

Practical Application:

—Spend some time today journaling (perhaps in the back of this book!) of those spaces where you’re still processing through God’s goodness in your hard places. What is He revealing to you during this time?

Optional Further Reading:

John 15

Day 22: “Freedom”

Discussion Questions:

—What is your salvation story or how are you finding freedom in Christ?

Practical Application:

—Take some time today to write down your testimony, or even share it with someone who could use this powerful witness!

Optional Further Reading:

Romans 5

Day 23: “Joy Really is Jesus”

Discussion Questions:

—How have you been living in the joy of the Lord lately? And if not, how can the reminder that you have Jesus turn your heart toward joy?

Practical Application:

—Spend some time today committing to memory the words of Nehemiah 8:10 (or another passage of your preference)!

Optional Further Reading:

Philippians 4

Day 24: “All Things Beautiful”

Discussion Questions:

—What is an area where it’s hard to see God working something beautiful? How can you use the power of thanksgiving to remind you that in its time, God will make even this beautiful?

Practical Application:

—Think of an area in your life that is now bearing fruit or a source of beauty that was once buried. Spend some time thanking God for the way He brings beauty from all things.

Optional Further Reading:

Ecclesiastes 3

Day 25: “God’s Words”

Discussion Questions:

—How have you been prioritizing getting to know God through getting in His word?

Practical Application:

—Praise God today for this gift! Use Psalm 119 as a starting point to thank God for the wonder of His word.

Optional Further Reading:

Matthew 7