



TALK IT OVER



HOPE PROJECT

WEEK 2 LECRAE INTERVIEW

Group leader,

Please adapt this list of questions according to the unique make-up of your group. Larger/more talkative groups may want to skip optional questions.

Pastor Andy also recorded a bonus video called "7 Truths About Trials" so we have included some additional questions for groups that watch that video together



ICE BREAKERS

- What kind of music do you enjoy most?
- How would you describe the relationship you had with your father growing up in one or two words?
- How was Father's Day for you this past weekend? How did you spend it?



QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER - 7 TRUTHS ABOUT TRIALS

1. In this season of life what would you identify as the biggest trial that you are facing?
2. How does your perspective on trials compare to Peter's perspective on trials?
3. How are you different as a person in this season of life because of your trials in previous seasons of life?
4. What would be some of the negative consequences of trying to avoid or outrun trials?
5. What are some of the gifts from God that you can see in your current trials?
6. How would it change your approach to trials if your goal was to outlast the trial instead of outsmart it?



QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER - LECRAE INTERVIEW

1. What part of the interview with Lecrae did you connect with most?
 2. Who has been most instrumental in your faith journey?
 3. *(Optional)* Who here had a single parent? What advice or words of encouragement would you give to a single parent?
 4. *(Parents)* Who do you have in your life to guide and advise you as a parent? What do you hope your kids remember about you as a dad or mom?
 5. Lecrae said that everyone needs to come to the end of themselves and realize their need to lean on God and others. Have any of you experienced that personally?
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READ

Ephesians 2:14-16

“For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us. He did this by ending the system of law with its commandments and regulations. He made peace between Jews and Gentiles by creating in himself one new people from the two groups. Together as one body, Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death.”



QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. How has racism touched your life?
2. How are you listening to and learning from people who have experienced the hardships of racism?
3. Lecrae said, “We love the idea of the salvation Jesus brings, but we hate carrying the cross.” How can followers of Jesus fight for justice and contribute to racial reconciliation?
4. For those of us who have been reading the daily devotionals this past week, how have they been giving you hope? *(Encourage the group to read them in the app each day this week).*



PRAYER

If you have a lot of time left, you can ask people to share a way the group can pray for them; if not, ask them to put it in the chat. Depending on the time left and how well the group knows each other, you can choose to say one prayer for the group yourself, ask someone else to pray, or open it up to whoever would like to pray out loud (never obligate people to pray out loud). You can end with...

Father God, thank you for being our perfect Father who never disappoints or changes! Please help us each in our relationships with our parents and with our children. Help us to lean on you and each other for support in those relationships. And in this season of turbulence and change in our world, show us how to be agents of change, unity, and peace in Jesus' name, Amen.