LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

Week of November 22, 2020 "Nothing But Manna" Numbers 11:1-15; Colossians 3:1-5

CENTRAL TRUTH: Seeking true satisfaction in God is the solution to an ungrateful heart.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ANCC

- 1. Elders Election Results Praise God for calling Kelly Sim to serve as an Elder of ANCC! She will be joining Jung-Hoon Kim, Jay Koh, and Samuel Koo and, together, they will form the Board of Elders which immediately replaces the Leadership Council. Although they will not officially be Elders until the Ordination Service (TBD), they will fulfill the roles and responsibilities of an elder effective immediately.
- 2. Youth Virtual Thanksgiving Hangout All youths are welcome to the Thanksgiving Hangout on Wed, 11/25, @ 7-9pm! There will be a special haiku-writing contest (to win points) and ice-breaker games. Go online for the Zoom link and additional info.

GETTING STARTED

- 1. SOAP TIME: Share your most meaningful SOAP entry from this past week in which God spoke deeply into your heart. (One or two people share)
- 2. What Thanksgiving tradition do you or your family practice?

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- 3. Review Numbers 11:1-15 and Colossians 3:1-5 and give a brief synopsis of Sunday's sermon. What grabbed your attention from the sermon or passage?
- 4. Despite experiencing the miracle of God's provision daily, the Israelites griped that God gave them "nothing but manna" to eat (Numbers 11:6). Symptoms of an ungrateful heart include criticizing and complaining about what you have and coveting what you don't have that others do. What "nothing but manna" gripes are you guilty of? How are they keeping you from appreciating the blessings of God in your life?
- 5. How much does "social media envy" affect how happy and thankful you are with your life? Does comparing your life to that of others affect you spiritually? If so, how?
- 6. According to Colossians 3:5, covetousness is idolatry. Read this explanation from the sermon as to why that is. Then, answer the questions below.

To covet is to have a great desire to possess something that belongs to someone else. Not only do you want something that another person has, you want it more than you need; you have a consuming greed. It becomes idolatry when what you desire is so important to you that even God takes a second place to it. You "worship" it more than God Himself. You desire it more than you desire God. You prioritize it more than you prioritize God. You value and treasure it more than you value and treasure God. And, that is what makes covetousness idolatry.

- a. Are you at risk of idolatry? Please explain.
- b. How does seeking true satisfaction in God (Colossians 3:1-4) transform you to be deeply satisfied and grateful for what you have?

TAKING IT HOME

- 7. Sometimes holidays can be a difficult time for those who have lost a love one or are experiencing a hard time. How can someone choose to be thankful despite the circumstances in their life? What is one thing you can do this week to express thankfulness to God?
- 8. PRAYER TIME: Pray for a grateful heart.