## Next Step Conversation Guide



# BLANK PAGES – PART 2: WHO DO WHY WHAT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2022

When we face decisions, a lot of us start with the question, "What should I do?" And that's a good question — at least on the surface. If we are going to make wise decisions, we must establish a good foundation for decision-making. When we dig deeper, there are other questions surrounding this one that might be better questions: What does God care about? Who am I becoming? What are the motives behind the decision?

#### **READ 1 THESSALONIANS 4:1-3**

- ➤ What are some times when you've considered (or wrestled with) the question about what you want to do with your life?
- ➤ What are some times when you have considered (or wrestled with) the question about what God wants to do with your life?
- What do you think it means to live a life that pleases God?
- ➤ Why do you think it's so easy to live under the assumption that we can't please God?
- ➤ What does it mean to be holy? Why do you think God wants us to be holy?

### **READ PROVERBS 16:3**

- ➤ Why is it so easy for us to convince ourselves that bad ideas are good ideas (justify/rationalize)?
- What are some motives for decisions that work against us becoming who God wants us to become?
- > What are some motives that work for us becoming who God wants us to become?
- ➤ Why do our motives matter?

#### **READ COLOSSIANS 3:17**

- ➤ Why is it so easy to minimize the "whatever" we do?
- ➤ How is the "whatever" we do a representation of Jesus? Why does that even matter?
- > Why is it so easy to lose the significance of what we do now because of what we want to do in the future?
- ➤ Do you agree that life is made up of a series of decisions along the way? Why or why not?
- > Do you agree that if we focus on becoming who God wants, he will lead us to the right do? Why or why not?
- > Do you agree that if we are driven by the right why, God will direct us to the right what? Why or why not?
- What next step will you take to put the who before the do and the why before the what?

### WHO BEFORE DO, WHY BEFORE WHAT