WEST RIDGE GROUPS

Group Member Discussion Guide Week of November 2, 2025

CHECK-IN (~20 minutes)

How was your week? What was the high part of your week? What was the low part of your week? What can we celebrate together?

MESSAGE SUMMARY

This week, Pastor Brian continued our *Out of the Ashes* message series. In Job 38–41, God answers Job from the whirlwind—not with explanations, but with questions that reveal His power, wisdom, and sovereignty over all creation. Through a series of 77 questions, God reminds Job that His works in creation far surpass human understanding, humbling Job's pride and shifting his focus from self-justification to divine awe. Job learns that God's providence governs everything, and true peace comes not from having answers, but from surrendering in trust and worship. Ultimately, Job's encounter shows that faith is not built on understanding all of God's ways, but on knowing and revering the One who controls them.

GROUP DISCUSSION (~50 minutes)

- 1. Thinking back to the message this week, was there anything that challenged you personally? Share your thoughts with the group.
- 2. Read Job 38:1-4; Isaiah 55:8-9

Why do you think God chose to respond to Job with questions rather than explanations, and what does that teach us about God's character?

3. Read Job 38:33; Psalm 19:1-2

How does recognizing God's power in creation help us trust Him in our personal suffering or confusion? Do you have a personal experience you can share with the group?

4. Read Job 40:3–5; James 4:6–10

What does Job's response in Job 40:3-5 reveal about humility and surrender before God?

5. Read Job 42:5-6; Romans 11:33-36

How can we cultivate awe and worship in our lives when we don't understand what God is doing?

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WRAP-UP (~10 minutes)

It is important to be growing in our relationship with Jesus and one another - what is one next step you can take this week to grow? Share with the group and commit to holding one another accountable.

What does it look like to hold each other accountable? It can be as simple as a text or phone call during the week. Hebrews 10:25 encourages us to meet regularly and to encourage one another on a regular basis.

Example: "Hey _____, you indicated in group this week that you were struggling at work with being light in a dark place. You said that your next step was to start a conversation with someone at work this week around the topic of faith. How did that go?"

PERSONAL NOTES

This week, my next step is:

This week I am going to check in on (name):

This week, my Bible reading will be (e.g. Philippians chapters 1-4):