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# TALK IT OVER

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## God's Plan For A New You

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Open your group in prayer, and remember that this is only a guide. Feel free to discuss each of the provided questions in the message notes, or simply dive deeper into just one. Before you close with prayer, take a few minutes to look over the Three Essential Questions towards the end of the document.

*"Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."* Isaiah 43:19 (NKJV)

## Message Notes

### The Enemies Of New Are:

1. Fear
2. Disobedience
3. Comparison

### The Friends Of New Are:

1. Community
2. Humility
3. Readiness

**Question 1** Why is this time period prime for God to do a new thing in our lives? What does God promise us in Isaiah 43:19 concerning God's plan for a new us?

**Question 2** Lions roar to frighten their prey into running the other way (into a trap). What should you do when faced with roaring fear that paralyzes you, or urges you to run away from God's plan? What is the first step to freedom from fear?

**Question 3** What are the dreams or calling that God has given you? What has hindered you from moving forward? How can obeying God open the door to the new thing God wants to do in your life?

**Question 4** Why is it important to keep your eyes on Jesus and not worry about what others are doing? How can you become more like Christ every day?

**Question 5** What enemy clouds the clarity of God's calling in your life?

**Question 6** Learning that the trinity (the Father, Son and Holy Spirit) is community and we are made in the “image of God,” discuss the benefits of community within small groups and compare them to the roles within the trinity.

**Question 7** What have you learned about the difference between being in charge of your own life and humbly asking God to be in charge? What holds you back from total surrender?

**Question 8** Have you ever been between a “prayer” and a “promise”? How has that waiting allowed God to make you ready for his kingdom purpose?

### Three Essential Questions

The following questions are intended to be open-ended and encourage members to consider how they felt and what they, or the group, can do as a result of hearing the message!

1. **What did you hear?** *What point in this message was most impactful for you?*
2. **What do you think?** *How did this message challenge, change, or affirm your thinking?*
3. **What will you do?** *How will you or your group put into practice what you've learned today?*