Small Group Questions

Below are a set of questions that can be used for just about any passage of Scripture used as our "preaching passage". Feel free to use them for small group study and prayer as well as your own personal devotions. These broad questions will give you a good starting point and will help bring the discussion or your thoughts back on track if things meander a bit. Beyond that, these questions will help you to have a deeply meaningful and prayerful conversation with others as you seek to follow Jesus. If you want to hear the sermon again, visit stpaulsbloor.org/sermons.

- 1) What? First impressions. What words or phrases stand out? What is the key image or theme? Can we summarize what has been written? How did the sermon help us to know what this passage is saying?
- 2) So what? How does the reading connect with our experience? How does the reading mean to shape us? What is the important word for us in what's written? How did the sermon help us to discern why this passage matters?
- 3) Now what? How should we respond to what we've heard? Is there a word, phrase or sentence to reflect back to God in prayer? Something to celebrate? To grieve? To ask for? To confess? How did the sermon lead us to respond?