



Rooms of your house



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Free Church

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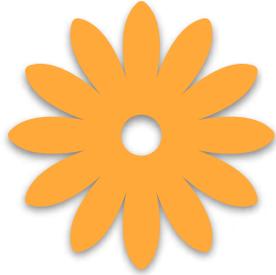
7. Garden - Engaging With Nature

Genesis 1v31

God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.

Romans 1v12

For since the creation of the world, God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.



- 1) Do you have a garden or place you interact with nature?
- 2) What role does the natural world play in the Christian faith? Share experiences of how creation has helped your faith.
- 3) Discuss ways you can spend time in God's creation.
- 4) Are there ways you can help others to be blessed by the natural world?

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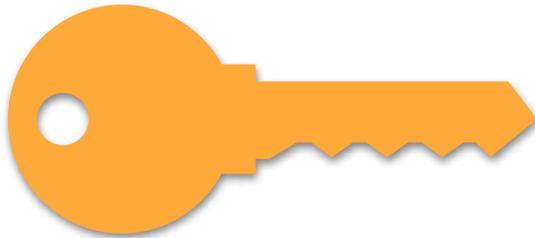
1. Entrance And Exit - In Our Homes And Lives

Deuteronomy 6v4-9

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the door frames of your houses and on your gates.

Deuteronomy 28:6

You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out



- 1) What entrances and exits have you walked through in your life? What was the grandest?
- 2) How do you leave your home, i.e. are you calm or rushed?
- 3) How might God play a greater role in the entrances and exits of your home? Consider Deuteronomy 6v9.
- 4) What doors is God opening or closing in your life?

6. Bedroom - Who You Are When Nobody's Looking

Psalm 139:13-16

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed body all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.



- 1) What was the weirdest dream you've ever had?
- 2) Is there a big difference between the 'first thing in the morning you' and the one the everyone else sees?
- 3) Read Psalm 139:13-16. Does this affect how you see yourself and relate to others?
- 4) How are you doing in your closest relationships?
- 5) Do you need to welcome God into the most intimate aspects of your life?

5. Loft - What Have We Hidden Away

Luke 12:2-3

There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What you have said in the dark will be heard in the daylight, and what you have whispered in the ear in the inner rooms will be proclaimed from the roofs.



1. Are you a hoarder or thrower?
2. Are there things in your life you would like to get rid of? Are there things you regret throwing away?
3. Are there things in your life that are hidden that need revealing? What does Jesus want to do with it?
4. How might you as a group help each other deal with the 'hidden' things?

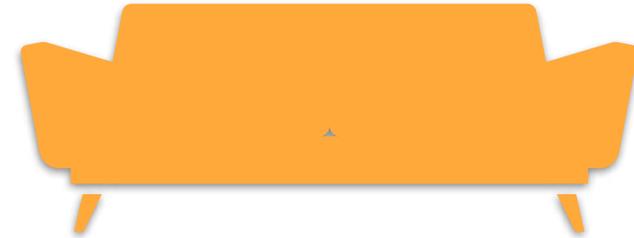
2. Lounge - What Do You Do With Your Free Time?

Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Matthew 11:28

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.



- 1) Discuss which leisure activities bring you joy?
- 2) What does the Bible say about rest? Look up Genesis 2:3
- 3) Describe a time in your life when you've experience true rest?
- 4) Some people prefer to rest alone, others like to be with others. Consider how your personality type affects your rest and social life.
- 5) What prevents you from resting?
- 6) How can we invite God into our 'free time'?

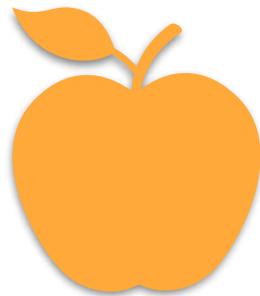
3. Kitchen - Feeding And Serving

Psalm 34:8

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

Luke 11:3

Give us this day our daily bread.



- 1) What is the most used utensil or appliance in your kitchen? What does that say about you?
- 2) In many ways the kitchen is the centre of the home, a place of preparation for daily life. Is your kitchen a place of harmony or tension?
- 3) How does your approach to how you feed your body compare to how you feed your heart, mind and soul?
- 4) The kitchen is often a place of work and service, how are you serving others and are you generous in hospitality?

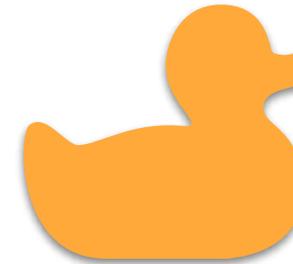
4. Bathroom - Cleanliness Is Next To Godliness?

Psalm 51:1-3

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

Psalm 24:3-4

Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord?
Who may stand in his holy place?
The one who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not trust in an idol
or swear by a false god.



- 1) “Cleanliness is next to Godliness” goes the old phrase, is there any merit in this?
- 2) Psalm 24:4 says we need ‘clean hands’ to ascend God’s mountain, is this to be taken literally? What do you think this verse means to us?
- 3) Is it more important to take care of ourselves physically or spiritually? Which are you best at?
- 4) How can we help each other to take care of ourselves physically and spiritually?