



Growth Group Discussion Questions

Winter Session 3/10/19

1. Re-read Ephesians 4:1-16. What phrases stick out to you as painting a picture of what we want the Church (and our church) to look like? What inspires you about that picture?

2. Sunday's message and topic lend themselves to some great deeper bible study. Read the following accounts and answer the following questions for each account:
 - a) Was the people's complaint understandable, reasonable in the circumstances?
 - b) How do you think they themselves perceived their own complaints and choices—justified, reasonable, looking out for the best of their families and community?
 - c) How did Moses perceive their complaints and choices? Why the difference?
 - d) How did God perceive the complaints and choices?
 - e) What was God's active response to the complaints and choices in each case?

Numbers 11:1-3

Numbers 11:4-15; 31-34

Numbers 12:1-15

Numbers 13-14

3. Why would God perceive complaints and choices that the people themselves thought of as reasonable and justified as something unfaithful or even idolatrous?

4. How can this apply to us in our personal lives and in our shared church family life? Are there any areas in your life in which you need to resolve not to become a "bitter Bobby" and which will require you to pursue humility, gentleness, and patience?