

# “SEARCH AND YOU WILL FIND”

## Words from Charles Wesley

Closer and closer let us cleave  
To his belov'd embrace;  
Expect his fullness to receive,  
And grace to answer grace.

*From Hymns & Psalms 752*

## Words from Scripture

“Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.”

Matthew 7:7-8

Hymn: Seek ye first the kingdom of God, *Singing the Faith* 254

## As we begin

### To consider alone

- What are my expectations for this meeting?
- What might God's expectations be for this meeting?

### To consider together

- How would it change this meeting if we “expect [God's] fullness to receive”?
- Can we each name one thing that we ask for from God for this meeting as we begin?

## As we continue

### To consider alone

- What do I need to ask God for personally (eg wisdom, courage, patience, kindness, self-control)?

### To consider together

- At this point in the meeting, what do we need to ask God to give to us, show to us or open to us, so that might move forward? Take a few minutes, then ask for this.

## As we finish

- What have we received, found or had opened to us in this meeting?
- What is our sense of expectation of God's fullness as we move forward?