

- 1. Pay attention to where your mind is going
- 2. Our brains default mode is worry & fear
- 3. God has designed us for joy
- 4. Gratitude is one practice for growing this joy

## **SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS:**

- 1.) Share your experience of the Rick Hanson exercise, either positive or negative.
- 2.) What comes up for you as you learn more about how your brain works?
- 3.) What we pay attention to is going to impact our brains and bodies for positive or negative. Over time, where you rest your mind is going to shape your brain.
  - Looking back over the past week, where have you been resting your mind and attention? What have you been "growing"?
- 4.) What does it look like practically this week to begin sewing seeds of gratitude and joy?