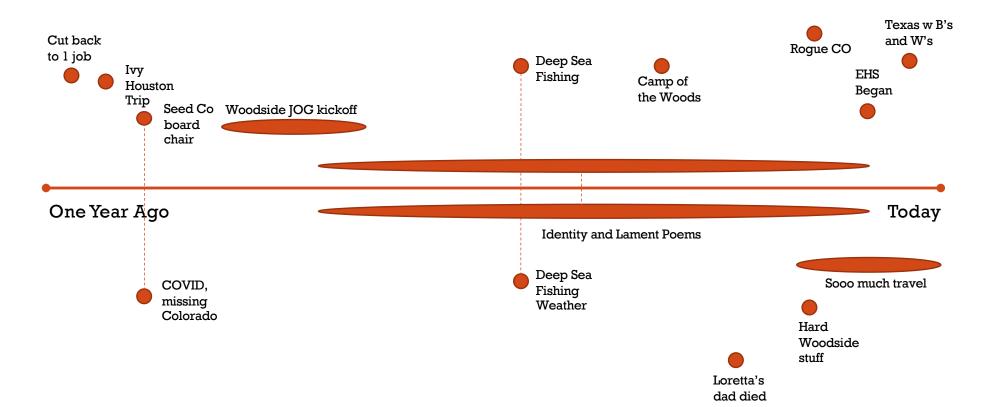


- The goal of this exercise is to look back over your year chronologically and listen to what the events and experiences might be telling you.
- What are 10-15 key events and experiences that show what it's like to have been you this year?
- What domains do they touch? Personal? Family? Vocation? Faith?
- Write a caption for each of the 15 events above the line if positive and below the line if painful.
- How did you experience God's faithfulness in the midst of your year?



#### **EXAMPLE: 12-MONTH TIMELINE**

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### **12-MONTH TIMELINE**

One Year Ago

Today



# FOUR BIG QUESTIONS

- The goal of this exercise is to get a broad perspective. This tool is a thorough way to answer the question, "How are things going?"
- Look back across all of 2021 and answer these four big, broad questions:
  - What's Right?
  - What's Wrong?
  - What's Confused?
  - What's Missing?
- Think through various life domains including personal, family, vocation, community, church, etc.
- If you're planning as a couple, do this individually first, then discuss or compile onto one chart.



### EXAMPLE: FOUR BIG QUESTIONS

What's Right?	What's Wrong?	What's Missing?	What's Confused?
<ul> <li>EHR course</li> <li>Date nights have started to come back</li> <li>Working with Brad (Matt)</li> <li>Praying nightly</li> <li>Day-by-day devotional, 2x offices (Loretta)</li> <li>Playing games with the kids</li> <li>Exercising</li> <li>D-group (Loretta)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Kids whining</li> <li>Longer commute</li> <li>Influence of some of kids' friends on kids</li> <li>Too overscheduled</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>More church involvement</li> <li>Intentional family nights</li> <li>Fun!</li> <li>Daily Quiet time (Matt)</li> <li>Chores for the kids</li> <li>Really regular date nights</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>How do we get everything done without constantly being overwhelmed?</li> <li>Do we renovate our kitchen?</li> <li>Are our kids bad, or just kids?</li> </ul>

## FOUR BIG QUESTIONS

What's Right?	What's Wrong?	What's Missing?	What's Confused?

