

## **Finding Purpose Discussion Questions**

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- 1. How does chronic pain affect how you see your life's meaning?
- 2. How does chronic pain motivate you to pursue better habits and healthier relationships?
- 3. Can having chronic pain make you better at understanding and caring for others?
- 4. How can focusing on the present moment and accepting things as they are help you feel like your life has meaning even with chronic pain?
- 5. How do you balance taking care of yourself and doing things that make you happy when you have chronic pain?
- 6. Do you make time for simple pleasures? Do you consider making time for simple pleasures as a way to keep some balance in your life?
- 7. How does having chronic pain affect your relationships with other people?
- 8. How can hobbies, interests, and doing things you enjoy make you feel like your life has purpose even with chronic pain?
- 9. What can you do to feel like your life has meaning even if you have chronic pain?
- 10. How does chronic pain make you think differently about what you want to achieve in life?
- 11. What are ways you connect with others either in person or online?
- 12. What mindfulness tools, like meditating, breath work or the 5 senses exercise, have you tried? In what ways did the tool help you?
- 13. How does having chronic pain make you learn more about yourself and grow as a person?
- 14. In what ways can hobbies, interests, or how you treat others help you define your purpose?



- 15. What lessons have you learned since having chronic pain?
- 16. What do you love to do? What are you doing when you lose track of time or find yourself completely immersed in what you are doing?
- 17. While living with chronic pain, have you been able to cultivate connections that offer support and comfort?
- 18. Are you able to set realistic goals and limitations for yourself as you are now?
- 19. Do you celebrate the wins no matter how big or small they are?
- 20. What does your daily routine look like?
- 21. Have you been able to reflect and make new life choices? If so, what tools and strategies did you use to do so?
- 22. Have you learned something new, a hobby, skill, or maybe even a new career while on this journey?
- 23. What helps you each day to move forward even on high pain days?
- 24. What ways have you found to redirect your energy away from your pain?
- 25. What has been something that has empowered you about your pain journey?