Discussion Questions for *What About Bob?*

1) What struck you about this film? (Notes from the guides?)

2) Talk about the theme of surprise in this film...

3) How were the characters changed by their encounter with Bob--why?

4) Talk about the change and transformation in Leo… Why is it sometimes necessary to be broken down in order to move forward? (Think about the line in psalm 51 “Let the bones that you have broken rejoice”)

5) Has someone ever come into your life who totally changed the way you looked at the world?

6) Give an example of a time in your life where your plans got messed up… How did you react? How did this experience change you?

7) Leo reduces Bob--when he first meets him and when he is trying to get rid of him… What is Leo’s judgement on Bob? What does he reduce him to?

8) Have you ever reduced someone to your own idea of them? How were you surprised by them?

9) What do you think of this concept: “vacation from my problems”? How does this correspond (or not) to our faith?

10) What can we learn from Bob? Leo?