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are you in?

LifeGroups
get connected.

TRANSFORMATION

"And we... are being transformed into His likeness."

2 Corinthians 3:18

CHETS TOP 5

Life University
Kick-Off and
Classes
August 25th, 5:30 p.m.

Middle/High
School
Parent/Teen
Luncheon
Sunday, August 22nd
12:30 p.m.

"Follow Me to
LifeGroup" Month
& T-shirt sales
Month of August

Men's Fall
Football Classic
August 30th, 6:30 p.m.

Chets Chicks
Women's Retreat
Friday & Saturday,
October 1st & 2nd



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Discussion Guide

Life Sentences - "Andrew"

FOCUS: To commit to living a life for others like Andrew so his/her friends can be brought to the Lord.

John 1:35-42; John 6:1-13; John 12:20-33; Acts 1:12-15 (NIV)

1. Complete the outline tracing the life and actions of the Apostle Andrew.
 - a.
 - b. (John 1:29-42) –
 - c.
 - d. (John 6:1-13) –
 - e. (John 12:20-33) –
 - f. (Acts 1:12-15) –

2. What character traits must Andrew have possessed to live the way he did?

3. List similar qualities you possess and others you need to acquire in order to live like Andrew.

<u>Andrew traits I possess</u>	<u>Andrew traits I need to acquire</u>
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4. What is the context of Paul's statement in 1 Corinthians 10:24? See (v. 23).

5. Are there any activities that you do that you feel are right for you but may not profit or edify others?

6. How can living under grace without the checkpoints of profitability and edification be a dangerous thing?

7. How much of your time in a given day is spent living for others?

8. Look up the following passages and record what they teach about living for others.
 - a. (Phil. 2:14-15)
 - b. (Col. 3:2)
 - c. (Col. 3:23-24)
 - d. (Matt. 5:43-45)
 - e. (James 2:14-18)
 - f. (Matt. 28:19-20)

9. How can you be intentional this week to do something that is selfless for your lost friends?

Read Thru the Bible

"How sweet your words taste to me; they are sweeter than honey. Your commandments give me understanding; no wonder I hate every false way of life. Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path."

Psalm 119:103-105

August	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm	Proverbs
15	Neh 2:1-3:32	Romans 8:26-9:5	97:7-12	20:7-9
16	Neh 4:1-6:19	Romans 9:6-26	98:1-9	20:10-12
17	Neh 7:1-60	Romans 9:27-10:10	99:1-9	20:13-15
18	Neh 7:61-9:38	Romans 10:11-27	100:1-5	20:16-18
19	Neh 10:1-11:19	Romans 10:28-12:8	101:1-8	20:19-21
20	Neh 11:20-12:47	Romans 12:9-13:7	102:1-11	20:22-23
21	Neh 13:1-Esther 1:22	Romans 13:8-14:12	102:12-17	20:24-25
22	Esther 2:1-4:17	Romans 14:13-15:13	102:18-22	20:26-27

LifeGroup Prayer Requests:

"You are not responsible for everyone in the church family - but you are responsible to them. So speak encouraging words to one another. Build up hope so you'll all be together in this, no one left out, no one left behind."

1 Thessalonians 5:11

LOOKING TOWARD NEXT SUNDAY

Barnabas - Acts 11:24

To examine the life of Barnabas, the Son of Encouragement and identify 3 ways that they can encourage others.

MONDAY - AUGUST 16, 2010

Read Acts 11:19-24

19Now those who had been scattered by the persecution in connection with Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch, telling the message only to Jews. 20Some of them, however, men from Cyprus and Cyrene, went to Antioch and began to speak to Greeks also, telling them the good news about the Lord Jesus. 21The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.

22News of this reached the ears of the church at Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. 23When he arrived and saw the evidence of the grace of God, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. 24He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.

Barnabas is known as an encourager. He was an encourager to many, but mostly to Paul.

- What did Barnabas do in verse 23?
- Why do you think he was glad?
- What did he encourage them to do?

TUESDAY - AUGUST 17, 2010

Read Acts 11:23

23When he arrived and saw the evidence of the grace of God, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts.

Paul did not just encourage people, but he encouraged in intentional ways. He did not encourage people so that they would feel good about themselves, but he wanted his encouragements to point people towards the Lord.

In verse 23:

- Who does he encourage?
- Who does he encourage them to remain true to?
- How are they to do that?
- What needs to change so that you are remaining true to the Lord with all of your heart?
- What is the largest obstacle in you life that is in the way of that?

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 18, 2010

Read Acts 11:25-26

25Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, 26and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch. st. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." 22Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus.

Barnabas helped opened doors for Saul/Paul. Barnabas goes and finds Saul/Paul and helps him get further involved in ministry.

- Where did Barnabas go to look for Saul?
- Why was Saul in Tarsus? (Acts 9)
- What did Barnabas and Saul do in Antioch?
- What kind of team do you think they were?
- Who can you pursue and help bring them to the right place?

THURSDAY - AUGUST 19, 2010

Read Acts 13:1-3

1In the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. 2While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." 3So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

Barnabas and Saul are being sent off on a ministry journey. Leaving Antioch they were sent off well.

- What is the work that Barnabas have been set apart for?
- What were they doing when the Holy Spirit communicates with them?
- What did they do before they prayed for Barnabas and Saul and sent them off?

FRIDAY - AUGUST 20, 2010

Read Acts 4:36-37

36Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means Son of Encouragement), 37sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

Barnabas was an encourager and he was also generous and invested personally in the ministry.

- Why would he sell his field?
- What did do with the money and why?
- In what ways can you be more generous?
- Would you have done the same thing if you were Barnabas?