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LifeGroups
get connected.

TRANSFORMATION

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

2 Corinthians 3:18

CHETS TOP 5

Vacation Bible
School
Registration
June 20th - 23rd
6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Preschool Day at
the Park
May 16th • 1:00 p.m.

Volunteer
Celebration
May 23rd • 6:00 p.m.

Men's Ministry
Softball Game
May 16th • 2:30 p.m.

East Asia Mission
Team at Bono's
Today - All day



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Discussion Guide

Life Sentences - "Nehemiah"

FOCUS: discuss the focus of Nehemiah and be challenged to focus on God's call on his/her life and to write their Life Sentence.

"...so I sent messengers to them with this reply: "I am carrying on a great project and cannot go down. Why should the work stop while I leave it and go down to you?"" **Nehemiah 6:3 (NIV)**

1. Great achievements begin with great burdens. What burdened Nehemiah? (Nehemiah 1:1-4)
2. a. What spiritual burden has God laid on your heart?
b. What do you need to change to focus more on God's call?
3. a. Great achievements require great vision. What vision has God given you?
b. How are you pursuing His vision?
4. Great achievements rely on great trust. How did Nehemiah pray for God's favor?
a. (Nehemiah 2:4)
b. (4:4-5)
c. (5:19)
d. (6:9)
e. (13:14)
5. Write a prayer for God to grant His favor to undertake His service.
6. Great achievements overcome great obstacles. What obstacles did Nehemiah overcome?
a. (2:17-18)
b. (4:10-14)
c. (6:14)
d. (13:23-25)
7. What oppositions are you facing?
8. a. Great achievements demand great sacrifices. Nehemiah sacrificed comfort, effort, his life and money in God's service. What have you ever sacrificed for God's service?
b. What can you sacrifice for God?
9. What took place when Mordecai encountered Haman? (3:1-6)

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

May	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm	Proverbs
16	I Samuel 1:1-2:36	John 2:1-25	61:1-8	13:21-22
17	I Samuel 3:1-5:12	John 3:1-21	62:1-8	13:23-25
18	I Samuel 6:1-8:22	John 3:22-4:6	62:9-12	14:1-2
19	I Samuel 9:1-10:27	John 4:7-26	63:1-5	14:3
20	I Samuel 11:1-13:22	John 4:27-54	63:6-11	14:4
21	I Samuel 13:23-14:52	John 5:1-23	64:1-6	14:5-7
22	I Samuel 15:1-16:23	John 5:24-47	64:7-10	14:8-9
23	I Samuel 17:1-58	John 6:1-21	65:1-8	14:10-12

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

Promise - Genesis 12:1-3

To examine the promise God gave to Abram and be challenged to step into "unknown territory" like Abram to enjoy the promises of God.

MONDAY - MAY 17, 2010

Read 1 Timothy 1:8-11

8We know that the law is good if one uses it properly. 9We also know that law[a] is made not for the righteous but for lawbreakers and rebels, the ungodly and sinful, the unholy and irreligious; for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers, 10for adulterers and perverts, for slave traders and liars and perjurers—and for whatever else is contrary to the sound doctrine 11that conforms to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which he entrusted to me.

- What was committed or entrusted to Paul?
- Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-3 - What did Paul declare? How did they respond to the gospel?
- Sound Christian doctrine refers to that which is healthy and wholesome and produces spiritual life and growth. What steps can you take today to pursue and declare sound Christian doctrine?

TUESDAY - MAY 18, 2010

Read 1 Timothy 1:18-20

18Timothy, my son, I give you this instruction in keeping with the prophecies once made about you, so that by following them you may fight the good fight, 19holding on to faith and a good conscience. Some have rejected these and so have shipwrecked their faith. 20Among them are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have handed over to Satan to be taught not to blaspheme.

- What is Paul charging Timothy to do?
- In what ways can you “wage the good warfare, having faith and a good conscience”?
- What happened to those who rejected and blasphemed?
- Read 2 Timothy 4:7-8 - How did Paul finish his life?
- What was waiting for him as he finished?
- In what ways can you; fight the good fight? Finish the race? Keep the faith?

WEDNESDAY - MAY 19, 2010

Read 1 Timothy 6:20-21

20Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, 21which some have professed and in so doing have wandered from the faith. Grace be with you.

- What is Timothy to guard?
- What was Timothy to avoid?
- What happened to those that didn’t avoid these things?
- What can you do to guard the treasure that has been entrusted to you?
- What godless chatter or opposing views do you need to turn away from?

THURSDAY - MAY 20, 2010

Read 2 Timothy 1:13-14

13What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. 14Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you—guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

- The Scriptures and the doctrine it teaches are “sound words”. In what ways can you hold fast to these?
- As a Christian what is the “good thing” that has been committed to us?
- Read 2 Timothy 1:7-8, 12 – Why was Paul not ashamed?
- What would happen in your life if you lived in the spirit of “power, love and self-discipline”?

FRIDAY - MAY 21, 2010

Read 2 Timothy 2:2

2And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others.

- Timothy was to take what he learned from Paul and teach it to other faithful men who would in turn pass it on to the next generation. In this process who are the people that have impacted your life for Christ?
- Pray thanking God for the influence these people have had on your life.
- Who are the people you are attempting to impact for Christ?

Pray thanking God for this opportunity and for a renewed commitment to influence these people for the cause of Christ.