GOD'S LOVE CHANGES OUR LIFESTYLE

EPHESIANS 4:17-5:20

CATCH-UP

• WHAT WAS YOUR HIGHLIGHT FROM THE PAST WEEK? WHAT WAS YOUR LOW POINT?

READING/DISCUSSION

- READ THE SERMON TEXT FOR THIS WEEK.
- HOW DID THIS SERMON/TEXT DEEPEN YOUR FAITH? HOW DID IT CHALLENGE YOU? EXPLAIN.
- WHAT RESONATED WITH YOU THE MOST FROM THIS SERMON/TEXT? EXPLAIN.
- WHAT RESONATED WITH YOU MOST FROM THE DAILY WORK?
- WHEN IT COMES TO GOD'S PAST WORK, OUR PRESENT REALITY, AND GOD'S FUTURE PLAN, WHICH OF THESE ASPECTS OF OUR ETHICAL FOUNDATION AS CHRISTIANS RESONATES WITH YOU MOST? WHY?
- WHO IN YOUR LIFE WOULD YOU SAY IS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF SOMEONE WHOSE LIFESTYLE IS STYLED AFTER JESUS? WHAT DRAWS YOU TO THAT PERSON?
- NAME A TIME WHEN YOUR LIFESTYLE DID NOT ALIGN WITH WHAT GOD TELLS US IN HIS WORD. HOW
 DID THAT TIME FEEL? HOW DID THAT AFFECT YOUR FEELINGS ABOUT YOURSELF AND TOWARDS GOD?
- HAS THERE EVER BEEN A TIME IN YOUR LIFE WHEN YOU FELT CALLOUS TOWARDS A PARTICULAR SIN? WHAT WAS IT? WHAT CHANGED FOR YOU?
- IN WHAT WAYS DO YOU FEEL LIKE SOME OF YOUR "OLD SELF" REMAINS AND YOU HAVE YET TO "PUT ON" YOUR NEW SELF?

ENCOURAGEMENT

- WHAT DO YOU SENSE GOD DOING IN YOU THAT YOU NEED TO RESPOND TO?
- WHAT DO YOU SENSE GOD DOING AROUND YOU THAT YOU THINK HE IS INVITING YOU INTO?
- WHAT DO YOU SENSE GOD DOING THROUGH YOU THAT YOU NEED COURAGE FOR?

PRAYER: SPEND TIME AS A GROUP IN PRAYER PRAISING GOD FOR WHO HE IS AND WHAT HE HAS DONE IN AND THROUGH CHRIST JESUS. SPEND TIME AS A GROUP PRAYING FOR THE NEEDS OF THOSE IN YOUR LIFE AND FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW JESUS.

ACCOUNTABILITY: AT THIS TIME, THE GROUP MAY WANT TO SPLIT INTO SMALLER, GENDERED GROUPS.

- WHO ARE YOU IN GOD'S EYES? WHO ARE YOU IN THE EYES OF THIS GROUP?
- WHAT HAS CHRIST ACCOMPLISHED FOR YOU ON THE CROSS?
- WHAT HAS YOUR TIME IN GOD'S WORD AND PRAYER BEEN LIKE THIS WEEK?
- HAVE YOU CONSISTENTLY REFLECTED THE LOVE OF CHRIST TO THOSE IN YOUR LIFE THIS WEEK?
- WHERE HAVE YOU WRESTLED WITH TEMPTATION THIS WEEK?
- WHAT STRONGHOLDS HAVE YOU WRESTLED WITH THIS WEEK?
- WHAT STEPS WILL YOU TAKE TO AVOID TEMPTATION?
- HAVE YOU BEEN 100% HONEST?

PRAYER: SPEND TIME AS A GROUP IN PRAYER FOR ANYTHING THAT MAY HAVE SURFACED FROM THE DISCUSSION/ACCOUNTABILITY TIME THAT YOU PERSONALLY FEEL LIKE NEEDS TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE LORD.