

SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

LIFE OR DEATH

WEEK 1

Bottom Line: Conflict isn't as bad when you're good at it.

Scripture: Rm. 12:17-18, Eph 4:25, 29, 31-32

SERIES OVERVIEW:

In this series, we're studying the New Testament letter Philippians, which is all about life at an elevated level because of Jesus. This is why even though Paul wrote Philippians from prison, he talks a lot about joy. Unlike happiness, which is a fleeting feeling, joy is a choice and a habit. It's a muscle that can be strengthened and an internal stability that can be fostered despite external circumstances.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

1. Share about the last time you got in trouble.
2. How did you handle it?

WHAT GOD SAYS

1. Have you ever known that you shouldn't do something or that it was wrong, but you did it anyway? Why do you think you do that?
2. What are some of the levels or categories of sin in your mind?
3. Have a student read Romans 7:15-20. What is Paul trying to say here?
4. Do you think all sin is equal? Or there are worse sins than others? (All sin is level at the foot of the cross. However, certain sin has different consequences, more severe consequences than others)

WHAT WE CAN DO

1. Share about a time where sin (you or someone else) caused something to die (maybe a relationship, trust, or an opportunity).
2. Share about a time where sin (you or someone else) caused real harm.
3. How does Jesus want us to live our lives if sin is a condition? (Repent! We need to repent daily and choose Jesus before or after we sin)

COMING UP...

Halloween Party: October 28th

No Gravity: November 11th

Gravity WKND: November 13th-14th

Turkey Bowl: November 18th (All at LC)

Friendsgiving: November 21st (NC Only)

No Gravity: November 25th

