

MEETING 4 – WHAT DOES GOD WANT FROM ME ANYWAY?

Objectives

- Understand God’s desire for our lives and how to be in right relationship with Him
- Move a relationship with God beyond just “spiritual moments” into everyday living.
- Improve an ability to receive grace from others
- Be intentional about developing relationships with those outside my church relationships

Materials Needed

1. Daily Devotional Guides for all participants
2. Spare pens or pencils
3. DVD and something to play it on or access to the online video file
4. Refreshments (if desired)
5. Prayer notebook (if desired)

Welcome

- Welcome people as they come in.
- As people come in, it’s a great time to ask them how the daily study went and get a feel for how many of the group completed the study guide.

Relate

- Describe a meaningful walk you have taken in the past. Was anyone else there? Where did you go? What did you see and hear? How did it leave you feeling?

Remember

- Have a volunteer read Micah 6:8. What are the three relationships God intends me to develop and maintain?

Note: If you have singers in the group, you can try singing the chorus we sang in church that comes from this verse.

- What does it mean to walk with God?
- According to what you studied this week, what is the most important act of grace you can give to those close to you.
- What is at the heart of doing justly to others?

Reflect

UP

- What does the phrase "spiritual walk" mean to you?
- How can you spend time with God throughout the day rather than just in church or devotional times?
- What is one of the roughest roads you've walked on with Jesus? How did your upward relationship help you in that time?

IN

- What are some ways your small group can be even more intentional about "doing life together?"
- Knowing that a servant has nothing to give except what he's received from someone else, how do you feel about Jesus calling us to be servants to one another?
- Have a volunteer read John 13:35. Share some examples of times you have seen your church giving evidence that they are disciples of Jesus.

OUT

- ON a scale of one to ten, how comfortable are you in sharing your faith in Jesus with another person? What causes the level of discomfort you have?
- When do you have opportunities to build relationships with "pre-Christians" How intentional are you about those relationships?

Review

- What impresses you the most about the balance Jesus maintained in His relationships?
- What kind of balance do you have in your relationship with God, with family and friends, and with the surrounding world?
- In what areas of your relationships would you like to see more balance?

Reconnoiter

- Point people to the DVD notes section in their Daily Devotional Guide
- Show the video for week 4– Infectious Passion
- Field any questions about next week.
- Close with prayer