




COMMUNITY GUIDE

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WEEKLY APPLICATION

TAKEAWAY: God is inviting you to know Him, and to take part in the bigger story that He is writing.

HEAD CHANGE: To understand that knowing God is THE main reason we find ourselves when and where we are.

HEART CHANGE: To see how the stories we write for ourselves are a cheap substitute for the epic story/adventure story/love story He is writing for us.

LIFE CHANGE: To join God as He uses all the times, moments, and places I am in, so that I and others can know Him more.

OVERVIEW

We all are constantly writing “stories” for our lives. Stories that we believe will finally gives us purpose, meaning, significance, security, power, intimacy, or simply, Life. In Acts 17:22-32, Paul pulls back the curtain to reveal that we are all in the times and places we find ourselves, so that we may know God! And that this is the thing we are all looking for the entire time, whether we realized it or not. Not only do we find ourselves in the jobs, neighborhoods, teams, and families that we do, so that we would know God. But others have been positioned there so that they would know Him as well. Living in this reality is what will bring the ultimate answer we have all been grasping for and will lead others to know the amazing reality of God himself, His power, and His love.

“But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ”

-Philippians 3:7-8 (ESV)-

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the story you are telling yourself?
2. How is the story God is writing bigger and better than that story?
3. What specific areas of your life do you need to let God begin to write into the bigger, better thing that He is doing (allowing you and those around you to know the reality of who He is)?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Heavenly Father, I am asking that you would help me surrender to your story for my life. Open my eyes to the false realities that I have been pursuing so that instead I may lean into the fullness of the life you have for me. This week help me to see those that you have placed in my life so that I may show them who you are. Amen.

IN THIS TOGETHER!