



SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM
FOR THE SERMON PREACHED: May 28,2017
PASSAGE: Joshua 24

Strong and Courageous: Boldly Pursuing the Mission of God
Choose Whom You Will Serve

1. Read Joshua 24:15. What is Joshua asking them to do? In the potential of two entirely different life choices, what is common? What does this reveal regarding the choices we make, or our neighbours make? In what ways can Joshua's call to the people be for Big and small decisions?

a. Read Joshua 24:14. What would be the driving force behind the people fearing the Lord and serving him in sincerity and faithfulness? Read verses 1-13. How many times does the Lord reference himself? What theme becomes clear? Why did the people need the reminder? Where do you need courage to step out and serve the Lord?

b. List in your journal at least 3 events, where it was clear God was at work. (Where He brought you through a trial, delivered you, saved you, disciplined you, directed you, or gave to you, etc.) In what ways have you shared this with your neighbours, co-workers, spouse, family, children or grandchildren? In what ways do you plan to do this in the future?

2. Read Genesis 22:9-12 where God tested Abraham and asked him to sacrifice his only son Isaac. As in Joshua 24, what relation do we see in Abraham between fearing the Lord and obeying the Lord? From a human perspective what was at risk for Abraham if he followed through? From a faith perspective what was at risk if he didn't follow through?

a. Where does obedience to God seem risky in your life? ie. rebellion of kids due to your leadership, losing your job, taking a new job, serving, financially giving, losing a friendship due to witnessing, missing out on hobbies, etc. How will your fear of the Lord cause you to take risks and obey the Lord?

3. In Joshua 24:1-13 we see a list of all that God had done for Israel. Read Ephesians 1:4-12 and notice all God has done for you in Christ, making a note of every reference to Christ, Jesus and their pronouns. Of the descriptions found in these verses, where do you see the connection to to what you are facing today? Where is it difficult to see the connection between what God has done for you in Christ and what you are facing today? (discuss this with your group)

Memory verse: Joshua 24:15