SUCCESS EQUATION

A NEWSTORY CHURCH SERIES

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Part 2: Faithfulness Pastor Tom Kang

- 1) Share your thoughts about the following quote:
 - "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us ... For this reason the gravest question before the Church is always God Himself, and the most portentous fact about any man is not what he at a given time may say or do, but what he in his deep heart conceives God to be like." (A.W. Tozer, The Knowledge of the Holy)
- 2) What are some further thoughts you have based on the truths represented in 1 John 2:15-17 and the following chart? Were there any more things you noticed in your own life that are applicable to something covered here?

3 FALSE SUCCESS EQUATIONS BIBLE **BOOMER** GEN X **MILLENIALS & GEN Z** "LUST OF THE FLESH" **PASSION** SEX FEEL "LUST OF THE EYES" POSSESSION **SALARY** HAVE "PRIDE OF LIFE" POSITION **STATUS** ΒE

- 3) What are some of your initial thoughts about the "Straight Fs" (Faithfulness, Fruitfulness, Fulfillment) of Jesus-style SUCCESS? How are these "equations" different from the ones mentioned above in 1 John?
- 4) Read and discuss Matthew 25:14-30 ... what stands out most to you here? What are you doing with what has entrusted to you?
- 5) Read and discuss John 21:15-19 ... what stands out most to you here? What does this passage have to do with FAITHFULNESS?
- 6) What do you suppose is the connection between seeking God's face (Psalm 27:4,8) and your FAITHFULNESS to him?
- 7) How can you remain FAITHFUL to God in your everyday life? Spend time praying for one another.