

# Group Discussion Guide

Week of October 1, 2023

## ***Understand What the Will of the Lord Is – Ephesians 5:17***

### GETTING TO KNOW YOU

- Share a time you really wanted to know God's will about something, but you had a difficult time figuring out what His will was.
- How did you feel during that struggle?
- How did that situation get resolved? Did you ever learn God's will?

### MAIN POINT

***It is wise for us to understand God's will for our lives.***

### REVIEW

Looking over your notes from this past teaching... was there anything you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

### DIGGING INTO THE WORD

#### **Read – Ephesians 5:17**

- What do you think is the difference between KNOWING God's will and UNDERSTANDING God's will?
- Why would it be foolish/unwise to not understand God's will?
- Share a time you made a choice and later came to the realization that was not God's will for you.
- Do you think God gives up on us if we choose to not follow His will? Why or why not?

- What are some negatives about having a boss who does not clearly communicate their expectations of you?
- When we feel like God is not clearly communicating His will with us, what might be the issue?

***Pastor Nate shared these 5 steps to discovering God's will...***

- 1) Silence your voice**
- 2) Spend time in God's word**
- 3) Spend time in prayer**
- 4) Seek Godly counsel**
- 5) Look for where God is working**

- What are the dangers of only doing one of these 5 steps, but not all of them?
- Of these 5 steps, which one do you find the most difficult?
- What are you currently needing to know God's will about?

## **PRAISE REPORTS & PRAYER REQUESTS**

- Take time to pray for each other in the things mentioned above.
- Also, ask for any prayer requests that anyone may have.

***\*\*Remember to create a prayer request journal where you will write down the prayer requests and the corresponding praise reports\*\****