

## Small Group Questions

5/22.16

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### GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. You've heard of youthful enthusiasm, but what is something you were enthusiastic about when you were younger that you are *still* just as excited (or more) about today?

### LOOKING BACK

On Sunday, we continued our "Seize Tomorrow" teachings from the book of Joshua. We have seen some inspiring characters along our journey; Rahab, Joshua...and now Caleb- who was one of the original 12 spies that Moses had sent into Canaan. The hero of our story asks for and is given the portion of land that had been promised him over four decades earlier (Deuteronomy 1:36). Our text shows us this fiery old man asking, demanding, reminding Joshua of the promise given to him 45 years earlier. Don't ever count this guy out! Caleb declares to us all that, as long as we have breath, God is still working in us and through us!

### DIGGING DEEPER

**Verse: Joshua 14:6-15**

Caleb was not a person of excuses. For example, although he was not a Jew, he never allowed his foreigner status to keep him from fulfilling God's purposes.

2. How do our backgrounds, our past, and our comparisons often become our excuses? Have you ever experienced this? Why is it important to take responsibility for what we have today to be able to reach the full potential in our tomorrows?

Read Ecclesiastes 12:5. On Sunday, Dale said, "Your age is more between your ears than how many times you have circled the sun. Age is not a matter of arteries but attitude."

3. What does an "old" attitude look like to you? What does a "young" attitude look like? Do you think that there is a link between our attitude and having confidence or fear of the future? Explain.

### TAKING IT HOME

Read Joshua 14:12 again. Another lesson we learn from Caleb is that God is never done with us. When we follow Jesus, our best days are never in our past.

4. What promise has God made to you that you has yet to take place? What are you looking forward to with confidence and expectancy? What is the next hill-country God wants you to claim? How will you maintain the attitude that continues to fight and trust God for your tomorrows?

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- **ONE BIG DAY** Sunday, May 29 is going to be 1 BIG DAY at Peoples Church! We will have 1 BIG GATHERING time at 10.30a. Baptisms will take place right after the gathering. Join us for free a free burger and hotdog lunch and cheer on those who are being baptized.

#### **1 Big Day Venues:**

Main Auditorium - Contemporary Worship  
GLJ Chapel - Classic Worship  
SMC - Encounter/Family Friendly Area  
IPC - Choir Room

- **Wednesday Nights** Join us at Peoples Church for our ongoing classes and Bible Studies for adults, women, men, youth and children on Wednesday nights at 7p