

# NEW HEIGHTS

## DISCUSSION

### **Student Takeover- Fighting For A Generation** Life Group Discussion

#### **Big Idea**

This week was Student Takeover. Culture and the enemy has a plan for our students and children, and as a church we need to provide practical steps we can take to protect the younger generation. Throughout the Bible, the enemy attacks younger generations in an attempt to derail or prevent God's plans. Similarly, the younger generation today faces an all-out attack from the enemy on God's plan for their lives...never before in history has the opportunity to satisfy temptation been so accessible.

The enemy knows that each and every child has great potential and will one day "crush his head" (Genesis 3:15). Even though the younger generation is under attack, God equips us to protect them and set them up for success. By developing Christ-centered friendships, discovering our God-given purpose, putting others before ourselves, and living out an authentic relationship with Jesus, we can fulfill the potential God has placed within us as well as help lead and protect the following generation as they live lives of faith and change the world.

#### **Read**

**Proverbs 27:19 (TLB)** A mirror reflects a man's face, but what he is really like is shown by the kind of friends he chooses.

**Proverbs 13:20** Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.

**Acts 17:26-28** From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. 'For in him we live and move and have our being.

**Philippians 2:3-4** Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

#### **A Little About Me**

- Share a moment or experience that brought you great joy. It can be a hobby...something you did with family or friends.

### **Discussion Questions**

- Even before we were born, God had a purpose for our lives. Have you allowed the Lord to reveal His purpose for your life? Discuss how you are living each day to pursue your purpose.
- How can you better serve and respect those around you? Share practical steps you can take each day.
- What does your relationship with God look like? Is it religious and void of love, grace, and life-change? If so, you can begin an authentic relationship with Jesus today! Invite Him into your life and discover the purpose He has for you!

### **Prayer Focus**

Pray that your group experiences the authentic, loving relationship with God and that they allow Him to direct their paths. Ask God to burden their hearts for the youth of this world, and that they will step into positions to lead those in need of spiritual guidance.

### **Next Step**

Baptism Sunday is this Sunday, do you need to take this Next Step in your faith journey? Water Baptism is an outward expression of an inward commitment. Jesus was water baptized, and afterwards it launched him into his ministry.

### **Leader Tip**

Encourage your group to develop closer relationships with the younger generations in their family or to find younger people in their lives in need of mentoring. Encourage them to pursue the purpose God has placed on their lives.