

# Message Based Questions - 3/8/20

## Be Different: Part 6 FAITHFULNESS

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*Verses: John 15:4-8, Galatians 5, Luke 5:1-5, Hebrews 12:1-3*

**ICEBREAKER:** *Where have you seen recent evidences of God's faithfulness?*

What stands out to you from this message?

In Luke 5:1-5, Peter's faith starts with obedience. How does this challenge or encourage you?

Pastor Rick shared several ways to grow in faithfulness.

- Be in God's Word every day; use a Bible reading plan if you'd like.
- Spend time listening, being still in God's presence, not just talking to God.
- Commit to being at worship services.
- Live out the "one anothers" of Scripture in a group, hanging in there even when it's hard or awkward.
- Invest in others, especially those far from or skeptical about Jesus (attend mentor workshop on 3/15).
- Build community at EFC; attend Men's Meeting on 3/20; talk to someone new before or after a service.

In what area do you feel a prompting to say YES to God? Share with your group and ask for their support.

Look at Hebrews 12:1-3 for encouragement on fixing our eyes on Jesus and His example of endurance. Who inspires you to keep enduring? For Biblical examples, glance back at Hebrews 11.

Spend time affirming in your group how you see the Fruit of the Spirit growing in one another. Praise God for how He's made us to bear much fruit for His glory! (John 15)

### **Close in prayer:**

Teach us, Jesus!

Help us to weed out distractions, sinful habits, and anything that pulls us away from You (pause and confess sin silently or out loud).

Thank you, God, that because of Jesus, you forgive us for our sins and disobedience.

Help us to cooperate with the work you are doing in us as we seek to grow in faithfulness.

Please use our times of trials and suffering to refine us and may we encourage one other.

Help us as a group to carry one another's burdens (pause and lift up specifics requests).

Grow Your Fruit in our lives that we may bring the Father much glory!

In the precious and powerful name of Jesus we pray, AMEN!