



## Guest Speaker: Josh McDowell

It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that we will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

Growing up, Josh's life was filled with heartbreak, and because of it he was filled with anger, loneliness, guilt and shame. Josh overcame this when he came to know Christ. What did you have to let go of when you became a Christian? Why is forgiveness essential to salvation?

*Matthew 6:14-15; Mark 11:25; Luke 6:37-38; 2 Corinthians 5:16-18*

As an author, Josh originally sought out to refute Christ but became a believer in the process. What do you still wrestle with in your faith? What are you doing to find answers?

*Proverbs 3:5-8; 2 Timothy 1:7; Hebrews 11:6; James 1:5-8*

Share the moment when you came to Christ. What happened in that moment – did you hear “harps” and see immediate changes, or did it take some time?

*Luke 23:32-43; Romans 10:17; Philippians 1:6; James 2:23-24*

What does Josh mean when he says that Christians need more than God? Discuss why Christians need a church to support them and how the church is perfectly designed to help us walk in faith.

*Romans 12:3-5; 1 Corinthians 14:26; Ephesians 2:19-22; Colossians 3:14-16*

### What's Next

- Truly ask yourself if you know Christ. Say a prayer opening your life to Him and read *John 1-6* three times, asking God to give you the conviction of His words.
- Find another follower of Christ and share your decision with them. Ask them to share their story.
- Get connected with the body of Christ – the church – through a LIFE Group and Serving Team.