LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION

Five Convictions for Enduring in Ministry Faithfulness

1. ***Be convinced God enables ministry***
2. ***Be convinced God provides results***
3. ***Be convinced God brings suffering***
4. ***Be convinced God defines service***
5. ***Be convinced God blesses faithfulness***

1. Knowing this message was directly aimed at elders and deacons in the church, how can you walk away and grow spiritually if you are not in one of those offices?

2. The men shepherding and caring for our soles are inadequate for the task and cannot determine what God places on their plates. As we learn from them how to step out in faith and obedience, what areas might God put before us to work in but we are too inadequate for the task?

3. Have you seen a tendency to be results driven in your life? Would the people around you affirm the assessment you gave yourself? Why is being solely focused on results spiritually dangerous?

4. Why is it so hard to see the Lord's work in our lives when we suffer? What typically do you want when suffering is taking place? What should or have you desired when you suffer and which passages helped you navigate the situation?

5. Fear becomes a critical actor in the Christians life. What are good things to fear? What are bad things to fear? What passages have shepherded you when you fear?

6. God wants your leaders to be faithful, God wants you to be faithful. How are you pursuing faithfulness now to be a direct influence on the next generation regarding their faithfulness?