



**MONTEREY
CHURCH**
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SMALL GROUPS MINISTRY DISCUSSION GUIDE

Announcements / Upcoming Events

- VBS Set up 7/27 after church (pizza provided!)

WELCOME What are you looking forward to or waiting for right now?

WORSHIP Read *Psalm 116*

WORD *Message Title:* "Don't Lose Heart" by Gabe McGinness, 7/13/2025

Scripture: Luke 17:20-37; Luke 18:1-8

1. **What part of the message uniquely spoke to you this week? Why?**
2. **Read Luke 17:20-37.** As we live for the Kingdom of Heaven, while waiting for "the Son of Man" to come, what wisdom can be gained for how we are called to live our lives? (Ref. v. 33)
3. In your spiritual journey thus far, can you think of a turning point(s) where a pivotal decision was made to "lose your life" in order to preserve it? What did you learn about God (his character, attributes) through this? And about yourself?
4. **Read Luke 18:1-8.** How is God like and unlike the judge? What method did the widow use to approach the judge?
5. As for prayer, what is your 'method'? (i.e., Are you likely to persist or give up?) What do you think this parable is teaching us about God and how to approach him in our time of need?

WITNESS Consider the names of the people that the Lord continues to bring forth to your mind and heart. Persist in prayer for them, continuing to ask for opportunities to share truth. Be bold and obedient when God speaks.

CLOSING PRAYER & INTERCESSION Take time to share prayer requests and pray for one another. Encourage your group to wait on God, allow time and space for him to speak as you pray for one another.