LIFE GROUPS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Have you ever felt "deceived" by the Lord when following His call on your life? Please explain.
- 2. Read Matthew 16:24-26. How were these verses eventually lived out in the lives of Jesus' disciples? What does it mean for a Christian today to carry his or her cross and follow Jesus?
- 3. Read Jeremiah 20:1-2. How was Jeremiah a "type of Christ?" What feelings do these verses evoke in you when you read of the injustice done to Jeremiah?
- 4. Read Jeremiah 20:3-6. Do you feel the consequences for the people of God were too severe for not following the Lord faithfully? Why or why not?



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- 5. How did the people of God in Jeremiah's day respond to God's words? How is our culture (which includes us) like the people of Jeremiah's day?
- 6. Read Jeremiah 20:7-10. Was Jeremiah's claim that God "deceived" him and "overpowered" him blasphemy? In what ways can you relate to Jeremiah's feelings toward God?
- 7. Read Jeremiah 20:11-13. How does praising God in the midst of the storm impact us?
- 8. Read Jeremiah 20:14-18. Explain the abrupt change in Jeremiah's attitude. When have you experienced extreme changes in your spiritual perspective or mood? What causes this?
- 9. Why do you think Jeremiah cursed the day he was born and the man who brought the news of his birth to his father, rather than cursing God or his parents? Who have you blamed for your struggles in the past?
- 10. How can you embrace the cost of living for the Lord in a God-glorifying manner?

