

LIFE GROUP GUIDE

CATCHING UP

SUGGESTED TIME: 10-20 MINUTES

As a family, we take time to check in on one another by catching up on life. **What was good about your Thanksgiving? Is there anything difficult in your life we can be praying for?**

PAUSE

SUGGESTED TIME: 1-2 MINUTES

Before officially beginning group time, have someone lead the group through a pause prayer. Take a few deep breaths. Give everything and everyone to God. What do you need to let go of? Open your heart and mind to hear from Him and ask the Spirit to lead and guide everything that follows.

IMPACT

SUGGESTED TIME: 10-20 MINUTES

This time of year is full of hope and opportunities to share Jesus! **What opportunities might you have this Christmas season to share the hope of Jesus? Who could you invite to Birthday Party for Jesus this Saturday?** *Take time to pray for those opportunities. **Reminder: Angel Tree gifts are to be dropped off this Sunday in the lobby. Gifts can be in a large bag labeled with your student's number***



SERMON DISCUSSION

SUGGESTED TIME: 20-40 MINUTES

Sermon Discussion is an opportunity to dive into scripture together! We do this to more fully trust, obey, and be encouraged by God's Word. *Have someone read 2 Kings 13:14-20. What is happening here through this "prophetic theatre"? Have someone recap the sermon. What might this kind of half-hearted obedience look like for us today? Is there an area of your life where you sense God inviting you to a more desperate obedience? Joash didn't go all the way in destroying his arrows...is there an area of your life where you sense God inviting you to do something "extreme"? What will that look like? At the end of our series on Confluence, how is God inviting you to jump more fully into that "river" of fellowship with His Spirit?*

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ENGAGE THE HEART

SUGGESTED TIME: 20-40 MINUTES

Engage the Heart is creating space to look to Jesus, who was wholehearted in his obedience! He never backed down, never held back his trust, and went all the way to the cross to purchase full victory for us! Through the power of His sacrifice, the penalty for our sin has been ended. Through Him, we can put an end to our sin! As we walk in the light of honesty, we walk in the victory Jesus secured for us.

[John 15:4, 1 John 1:8-9, James 5:16, and 1 John 1:5-10]

1. Cast vision for this time.
2. Confess sin.
3. **Prayerfully listen for God to lead.**
4. Dig deeper by asking questions.
5. Give gospel assurance to one another.
6. Pray.

What do you need to make an end of? What practical ways can we hold you accountable? What extreme measures do you need to take to fight this? Is there a level of intimacy with God that you have been halfheartedly pursuing? What would it look like to go all in this week? Is there anything disrupting your union with God? What is the good news of the gospel for what has been confessed?