

Weekend Message Questions

My Name Is _____

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CHECK-IN:

- Begin your group session by checking in with each member.
 - How is everyone doing?
 - Any highlights or challenges to share?
- As you started 2024 did you have any goals/resolutions you would like to share?

ICEBREAKER DISCUSSION:

- Share a label that you've given yourself or one that has been given to you. How has this label influenced your identity?
- Have you ever experienced a significant name change or identity shift in your life? How did it impact you?

READ: Genesis 12:1-3, Genesis 17:1-6

- What stands out to you in these passages?
- What do you think about God's invitation to Abram to leave his native country and change his name?
- How do you relate Abram's story to the idea of God's mission and obedience?

READ: Luke 4:18-19

- What stands out to you in these passages?
- According to this passage, what is the purpose for which Jesus declares he has been anointed by the Spirit of the Lord?
- In the context of these verses, what are the specific actions and transformations that Jesus mentions as part of his mission?
- How does the mission outlined in Luke 4:18-19 align with the broader narrative of redemption and God's plan for humanity, as mentioned in the Old Testament?

DISCUSS:

- Reflect on a time when fear diverted you from your mission or slowed you down. How did you overcome it?
- Share a moment in your life when you felt you had messed up, similar to Abraham. How did you respond, and did it impact your pursuit of God's call?
- Considering the three thoughts about Abraham's story, how do they resonate with your own faith journey?
 1. **God's invitation is always about His mission.**
 2. **God's invitation always involves imperfect people.**
 3. **God's invitation to mission requires obedience.**
- When you hear "God wants to do something in you and through you!"
 - What thoughts/feelings come to mind?
 - How do you see God already working in/through you?
 - How do you hope to see His activity in your life?

Remember, as we start reading scripture together in the upcoming weeks, consider these questions:

- Is God asking you to leave something in your life?
- Is God asking you to go somewhere specific?
- Is God asking you to do something particular?

How can you be praying for everyone in your group this week?

Pray to close.

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