

# Choosing the Lord Personal or group-based guide for additional study

**Small Group Guide**: Choosing to Pursue Jesus

## **Opening Prayer**

# **Key Takeaways:**

- 1. God calls us to make a clear choice to serve Him wholeheartedly.
- 2. Our history with God connects to our destiny with Him.
- 3. God protects, provides, and fights for His people.
- 4. Leaders need to step in, step up and fulfill their calling in & through the church.
- 5. God can turn curses into blessings and use our enemies to bless us.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Joshua challenged the Israelites to "choose this day whom you will serve." In what areas of your life do you need to make a clearer choice to serve God?
- 2. The sermon mentioned the importance of understanding our spiritual history. How has your past (or your family's past) influenced your faith journey?
- 3. Pastor Sneed mentioned that sometimes we need to "reset before we resume." What does this look like in your life? How can we incorporate times of spiritual recalibration?
- 4. The sermon emphasized the need for leaders to step up in the church. How do you see your role in the body of Christ? Are there areas where you feel called to lead but have been hesitant?
- 5. Reflect on a time when God turned a curse into a blessing in your life. How did this experience impact your faith?



- 6. The pastor said, "You can't be shouting on Sunday and cussing on Monday." How can we maintain our choice of consistency in our walk with God throughout the week?
- 7. How has God been your "protector" and "partition" in recent times? Share examples with the group.

# **Practical Applications:**

- 1. This week, identify one "idol" in your life that you need to put away to serve God more fully. Make a plan to address it.
- 2. Spend time reflecting on your spiritual journey. Write down key moments where God has been faithful to you.
- 3. If you're in a leadership role, consider how you can step up or step into it more fully. If you're not, pray about areas where God might be calling you to lead.
- 4. Practice intentional gratitude this week, thanking God for both the obvious and hidden ways He's working in your life.
- 5. Choose one area of your life where you need to trust God more fully. Make a commitment to "choose" God in that area daily this week.

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