Back to the Future Small Group Questions, Week 3

Ice Breaker: Would you consider yourself a "control freak" or a "free spirit"?

Ice Breaker: Share a dream that you remember recently.

What was your one big takeaway from Sundays message?

Read Daniel 2:30-36. In these verses Daniel rehearsed to King Nebuchadnezzar the dream he had. However, in verse 30, Daniel was careful to give God the credit for knowing the dream. How can we be careful to give God credit for the things he has done in us or given to us?

Has there been an instance recently when you've been able to attribute something to God rather than your own wisdom or skill or knowledge?

Why do you think it's easy to attribute success or talent or achievement to one's self?

What are the spiritual benefits of giving God the credit for the good things in your life?

Read Daniel 2:36-45. In this passage, Daniel gives the interpretation of Nebuchadnezzar's dream. He lists the five kingdoms that the image in Nebuchadnezzars dream represents. This prophecy spans thousands of years and leads up to the millennial reign of Christ. Daniel ends the interpretation by saying that the events are "certain" and "sure". Why should these words encourage us? Why would these words be confusing for some?

Read Isaiah 46:9-10. God had world history mapped out from the very beginning. Observing our world and culture and society today, why should this truth relieve us?

Not only does Isaiah 46:9-10 remind us that God is aware and in control of everything in our world today, but also that He is aware and in control of everything in your *life* today. How should this truth change your perspective today?

In what current circumstance should you apply this truth?

If you were God, what would be your explanation for the challenging or difficult circumstances in your life?