## **Main Street Church - Life Group Guide**

:: FEARLESS - Part 6 - When Fear is Your Best Option :: October 18, 2015



## **Welcome & Prayer**

**READ Psalm 86:1-13** as your opening Prayer

#### **Connect**

- **1.** Have 1-2 people share their story/testimony (5-10min each) &/or
- 2. Questions for the Group
  - a. What is 1 thing we don't know about you?
  - b. What is your favorite Fall activity?

#### **Check In**

- :: Each time we meet as a Group we'll take a few minutes to share a bit about how we're learning & growing in our personal journey with GOD. This is for accountability & encouragement.
- :: How can we as a group encourage one another to spend intentional time with Jesus this Fall? {Devotional ideas (Prayer booklets...), Bible Reading Plan, Podcasts, Accountability, Hearing God...}
- :: What is one area of your relationship with Jesus that you'd like to grow in this season?
- :: What has God been showing you or speaking to you about in your personal time with Him this past week? (eg. through Bible reading, Prayer, Journaling, Devotions, Worship, time in Creation...)

## **Sunday Message Feedback**

#### What jumped out at you from Sunday's message?

- : Which particular point or passage of Scripture most challenged, confused or caught your attention?
- : What did Jesus say to you to you this past week through the message?
  - 1. When going to a restaurant do you like a simple menu or one with lots of choices? Why?
  - 2. Do you ever put the words "Fear" and "God" together?
    - : How does the word "fear" make you feel about God? Discuss.
    - : Which attributes/characteristics/actions of God inspire you to fear Him the most?
  - 3. When it comes to the fear of God do you relate to Him more as your Heavenly Father or as a Righteous Judge? Discuss why you lean more way than the other?
    - :: How can you become more balanced in your fear of the Lord?
  - 4. Shawn explained that >>> Loving God + Respecting God = Fearing God.
    - : Does this make sense to you? How is this true in your own life?
  - **5. READ Genesis 22:1-18** (Abraham's Faith is Tested)

- 6. How do you think you would respond if God asked you to do something crazy like what He asked of Abraham?
  - :: What's one of the craziest (good) things God has asked you or led you to do?
- 7. What was the key point God was looking or testing Abraham for (v.12)?
- 8. Often we are all guilty of customizing our faith by taking parts of God that we like and ignoring the parts of God we don't like. Have you ever customized your faith by obeying God in certain areas and ignoring Him in others? Share your story? What was the outcome?
- 9. How does obeying God build a healthy fear of God? Discuss.

**Read** the following verses:

- a. Proverbs 9:10
- **b. Proverbs 14:27**
- c. Proverbs 22:4

What are the blessings mentioned in these verses that are the result of living your life fearing God?

#### **Application & Prayer**

(Split into groups of 3-4 people or divide the men and women and have them share and pray for each other)

In what area of your life are you not fearing and not obeying God? What will you do about it?

- Write down two or three action steps you will take to fear the Lord in a way you haven't been. Share them with the group and ask to be held accountable to live them out.
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- Pray for each other and the commitments that have been made.

## **Next Life Group**

**Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> ::** 6pm-7:30pm **::** Main Street Auditorium.

**::** PRAYER SUMMIT. Worship-Prayer-Communion

Let's take a break from our regular day/time & participate as a Group! (Includes our Kids Summit)

# **Coming Up at Main Street**

**November 13-14:** Main Street Church.

**::** ENCOUNTER GOD RETREAT

:Friday evening & All-day Saturday. Info & Registration >> www.mainstreetchurch.ca/encounter-god \$35/person. Includes Refreshments, plus Lunch & Dinner on Saturday.