

# FOCUS: Live A Life Worth Living

TODAY'S PASSAGE: Philippians 3:13-14b; Hebrews 12:1-2 **NOTES:** 4 Hurdles We Will All Face: [1. Fear 2. Shame 3. Guilt 4. Regrets] **How The Lord Helps Us To Focus:** [1. Perspective 2. Clarity 3. Direction] **MY Challenge: FOCUS** \_\_\_\_\_ off every **thought** and **experience** that is slowing you down. \_\_\_\_\_ with the right **perspective**. \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus to guide and direct your footsteps

Pursue your wife, Pursue your family, Pursue a life worth living.

knowing Jesus, find freedom, discover purpose and make a difference,

[Strip. Run. Ask. Pursue]

# Main Street Church - Life Group Guide

**FATHER'S DAY SUNDAY** 

Message: FOCUS - A Life Worth Living

**Speaker: Justin Manzey - Latitude Ministries** 

June 21, 2020.

### Connect (20min)

- 1. Would You Rather? Summer Edition: -- Partner up and share your answers to each question.
  - a. Would you rather swim in the ocean, a lake, or a pool?
  - b. Would you rather spend the day at an amusement park or the waterslides?
  - c. Would you rather lay in sun or sit in the air-conditioning?
  - d. Would you rather spend a morning garage sale shopping, fishing or golfing?
  - e. Would you rather go to an outdoor concert or a drive-in movie?
  - f. Would you rather be stung by a bee or covered in mosquito bites?
  - g. Would you rather do indoor house chores or outdoor yard work?
  - h. Would rather drink a slurpee or a milkshake?
  - i. Would you rather have a bad sunburn or a poison ivy rash?
  - j. Would you rather be a tourist in the city (Vancouver) or camping in the mountains?
  - \* If you have time create a WYR Question of your own.
- 2. FOCUS >> Read Proverbs 3:1-12, then Open in Prayer

# Message Discussion (40min)

#### 1. A Life Worth Living

- a. What are some things that make Life Worth Living for you?
- **b.** Has your answer to this question changed at all over your lifetime? How so?
- c. How would most of our culture answer this question today?
- d. How might JESUS answer this question for us?
- 2. SCRIPTURE: Read Philippians 3:10-14b & Hebrews 12:1-2
  - \*What stands out to you in these verses? What encourages or challenges you?
- 3. Facing Hurdles
  - a. What is one of the biggest hurdles you are facing in your life right now?
    - i. FEAR
    - ii. SHAME
    - iii. GUILT
    - iv. REGRETS
    - **v.** Other\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. What is keeping you from having the right perspective in some of the circumstances you are walking through?
  - c. What is the biggest distraction that seems to steal your attention and keep you from having clarity and focus?

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\*The voice you listen to the most will determine the direction of your life.

- a. Whose human voice (advice/counsel) would you consider/trust the most in your life in the following areas?

  Or whose voice have you listened to the most in past in these areas of life?

  [identity/purpose, morals, relationships, work/career, finances, faith]
- b. Do you believe that your voice brings value? Why or why not?
- c. How has God's Voice impacted you in these areas of life? Share one or two examples.

#### 5. Focus Forward

- **a.** What *values* would you like to add into your life during this season of life (2020)? [Trust, Forgiveness, Thankfulness, Courage, \_\_\_\_\_]
- b. What are some choices that you can make today to move one step closer to focus on your future?
- c. What are some things that you need to strip off today to run your race effectively tomorrow?
- **d.** Who are some people that could help you in your journey?

## **Application & Prayer** (20min)

- 1. FOCUS READ Proverbs 4:18-27 -- Fatherly Words of Advice for a Life Worth Living.
- **2. CHALLENGE Read & Pray through** Proverbs 1-4 this week. Ask God to counsel, convict and encourage you through His Word & Wisdom. Bonus: Consider reading the Book of Proverbs in July 31 Chapters, 1 chapter each day.
- 3. PRAY Considering Sunday's Message and our discussion today, how can we pray for you?

  If it helps...share 1 key theme/word for Prayer: Courage, Faith, Healing, Hope, Protection, Wisdom, Discipline, Growth...

  \*Pray for one another...

#### Resources

<sup>\*</sup>Scripture: https://www.openbible.info/topics/life\_that\_is\_worth\_living. http://www.openbible.info/topics/focus.

<sup>\*</sup>Justin Manzey www.latitudeministries.com

<sup>\*</sup>Video Series: Greater Than – Five short YouTube videos by pastor/author Francis Chan.

<sup>\*</sup>Books: Available through Amazon and Christian Book Stores

<sup>- &</sup>lt;u>Crazy Love: Overwhelmed By A Relentless God</u>, Francis Chan.

<sup>\*</sup>Weekly Announcements: Consider the Weekly Announcement Email from Main Street Church.