



Discussion Guide — The Infinite Game (Week 3)

Series: The Infinite Game

Message: Start With The Edge Pieces

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Scripture: Galatians 6:9-10 (NRSVUE)

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, steady our hearts. When life feels like scattered pieces, teach us where to begin. Give us courage not to grow weary, wisdom to choose the next faithful step, and love that works for the good of all. Amen.

Introduction & Context

Life can feel like a jigsaw puzzle—so many pieces, not enough picture. The sermon’s claim: God isn’t trying to trick us. There are “edge pieces”—clear starting points that frame a faithful life. Galatians 6:9–10 names them: don’t quit doing what is right; work for the good of all. From that border, next steps emerge.

Discussion Questions

1) Getting Oriented: The “Puzzle” Metaphor

1. When has life recently felt like a box of mixed pieces for you? What made it feel that way?
2. In puzzles, most of us start with corners and edges. What would you name as the “edge pieces” of your faith right now?

2) Scripture Focus: Galatians 6:9–10

3. Read Galatians 6:9–10 aloud. What phrases land most strongly with you today—and why?
4. “We will reap... if we do not give up.” Where are you tempted to give up on doing good? What helps you keep going?





3) Framing the Border: Companion Texts

Read together: Psalm 37:23–24; Matthew 6:34.

5. How do these verses complement Galatians 6:9–10?
6. If Psalm 37 is “God steadies our steps” and Matthew 6 is “focus on today,” what border do those truths create around your week?

4) Why We Stall

7. Which of these derails you most—perfectionism, comparison, or catastrophizing? Share a recent example (as you’re comfortable).
8. What gospel antidote helps you most—mercy, calling/purpose, or God’s providence? How could you practice it this week?

5) Discernment: Finding the Next Best Move

The sermon offered a simple filter: Start with love → Check the fruit → Stay within today → Bring a friend → Pray briefly, then act.

9. Use the filter on a real decision you’re facing. What is one today-sized step that clearly aligns with love of God/neighbor?
10. Who is one person you can tell (for gentle accountability) and by when?

6) Practice in Real Life

11. Choose one area (home, health, work/school, a strained relationship, serving a neighbor). What does “do not grow weary in doing right” look like there—today or within 48 hours?
12. If/when you stumble, what’s your next faithful step—not the grand comeback, but the next small act of love?





Closing Prayer

Lord, establish our steps. Keep us from weariness, guard us from distraction, and shape us into a people who work for the good of all. Show us today's faithful step and give us grace to take it. In Jesus' name, amen.

Key Takeaway

You don't need the whole picture to be faithful—start with the edge pieces: do what is right, work for the good of all, and take the next step today.

Next Step — P.A.R. (Pray • Act • Reflect)

Pray (Focus):

“Spirit, show me one edge-piece step to take today for the good of all.” Sit quietly for one minute. Note the person, place, or task that comes to mind.

Act (Within 48 hours):

Write one specific, 5–15 minute action (call, text, apology, meal, appointment, visit, sign-up, brief prayer with someone). Put it on your calendar and tell one person.

Reflect (Evening, 2 minutes):

- Where did I practice a small good today?
- Where did God steady my steps?
- What is tomorrow's next faithful step?

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