

Small Group Guide: Guarding Community and Inheritance

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Opening Question:

What stood out to you most from the sermon on Numbers 30:2-36:13?

Key Takeaways:

1. The Book of Numbers shows a process of transformation as the Israelites learn to trust God and become more unified.
2. There are parallels between the Israelites' journey and the Believer's walk today.
3. Protecting both community and inheritance is crucial for God's people.

Discussion Questions:

1. The message mentioned that Romans 12 mirrors the Book of Numbers. How do you see this connection, especially in terms of unity and humility within the community?
2. Reflect on Numbers 33:50-53. How does this passage apply to our spiritual lives today? What "idols" or negative influences might we need to drive out?

3. The message emphasized the importance of communication in promoting unity, as seen in the exchange between Moses and the tribes of Gad and Reuben. How can we apply this principle in our congregational community?
4. Discuss the concept of "working out your salvation with fear and trembling" (Philippians 2:12-13). How does this relate to our role in spiritual growth versus God's work in us?
5. The message touched on the wisdom of prioritizing family and community over possessions. In what ways can we practically apply this principle in our lives?

Practical Applications:

1. Self-reflection: Take time this week to identify any "pagan influences" or "idols" in your life that may be hindering your spiritual growth. Make a plan to address one of these areas.
2. Community-building: Reach out to someone in the church you don't know well and have a conversation to promote unity and understanding.
3. Trust exercise: Identify an area where you struggle to trust God fully. Commit to praying about this daily and seeking accountability from the group.
4. Family first: Evaluate your priorities. If necessary, make one concrete change to put family/community before material possessions or personal gain.