

Discussion Questions



Key Takeaways

1. **Presence Over Perfection** - Our presence with Jesus and others will always outweigh the pursuit of perfection.
2. **Legacy Through Daily Moments** - A lasting legacy is built through faithful presence in everyday, ordinary moments.
3. **God Sees You** - Even when we feel invisible or forgotten, God sees our faithfulness and hears our cries.
4. **You're Doing Great** - Encouragement matters, and we all need reminders that showing up is enough.

Discussion Questions

Section 1: Being Present with Jesus (Luke 10:38-42)

Read Luke 10:38-42 together

1. What distractions in your life most often pull you away from spending time at Jesus' feet?
2. The sermon stated: "Few things are more damaging to a Christian's life than trying to work for Christ without communing with Christ first." What does this look like practically in your daily routine?
3. How can you tell when you're operating in "Martha mode" versus "Mary mode"? What are the warning signs?
4. What would it look like for you to "drop everything you're juggling" to prioritize time with Jesus this week?

Section 2: Building a Legacy (Deuteronomy 6:1-9)

Read Deuteronomy 6:1-9 together

5. Moses instructed the Israelites to talk about God's commands "when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." What are some practical, everyday moments where you could naturally share your faith with those you influence?
6. Reflect on the Magic Castle Hotel story. What "small moments" in your life could become opportunities to create powerful memories or point others to Jesus?
7. Who in your life are you building into spiritually? How intentional are you about passing down your faith?
8. What barriers prevent you from being more open about your faith in everyday conversations?

Section 3: Feeling Seen by God (Genesis 16:1-16)

Read Genesis 16:1-16 together

9. Hagar named God "the God who sees me." Have you ever felt invisible or unseen in your service or sacrifice? Share about that experience.
10. How does knowing that God sees your faithfulness, tears, and perseverance change your perspective on difficult seasons?
11. The sermon mentioned that comparison is the thief of joy. In what areas of life do you struggle most with comparison?
12. How can this group better support one another when we feel forgotten or like our efforts are going nowhere?

Personal Reflection

Take 3-5 minutes of silence for personal reflection:

- Where do I need to prioritize presence over perfection this week?

- What legacy am I currently building through my daily choices?
 - Do I truly believe that God sees me, even in the mundane and difficult moments?
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Practical Applications

Choose 1-2 applications to focus on this week:

For Everyone:

- **Daily Presence:** Set aside 15 minutes each day this week to sit at Jesus' feet without distraction. No agenda, just presence.
- **Legacy Moment:** Identify one recurring "mundane moment" in your week (commute, mealtime, bedtime, etc.) and intentionally use it to point someone to Jesus or share your faith.
- **Encouragement Practice:** Reach out to one person who might be feeling unseen or discouraged and speak life into them. Tell them, "You're doing great."

For Parents/Those in Leadership:

- **Faith Conversations:** Have at least three intentional conversations about God this week in everyday settings (not just formal teaching moments).
- **Presence Audit:** Evaluate where you're pursuing perfection at the expense of presence with your children or those you lead. Make one specific change.

For Those Feeling Unseen:

- **Remember Hagar:** Write down Genesis 16:13 ("You are the God who sees me") and place it somewhere you'll see daily.
 - **Share Your Story:** Be vulnerable with one trusted person about where you're struggling with feeling invisible.
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Prayer Requests and Closing

Share prayer requests, particularly focusing on:

- Areas where group members need to prioritize presence over perfection
- Relationships where legacy is being built
- Situations where people feel unseen or discouraged

Pray specifically for:

- Mothers and mother figures in your group and community
- The courage to be present rather than perfect
- Eyes to see the power in ordinary moments
- Assurance that God sees each person's faithfulness