

SMALL GROUPS

Leader Conversation Guide – Eternal Focus

Main Idea

This week's message explored how many people live frustrated, tired, and unfulfilled—often chasing after things "under the sun" that never satisfy. King Solomon, despite having wealth, wisdom, and pleasure, concluded that everything apart from God was meaningless. In contrast, the Apostle Paul, who suffered immensely, lived with deep joy and purpose. Why? Because his focus was eternal. When we fix our eyes on what is unseen and eternal, our earthly problems begin to lose their grip. This message called us to shift from a temporary mindset to an eternal one by praying, serving, giving, and sharing Jesus. When we live with eternity in mind, everything changes.

Make It Practical

- **Pray.** Prayer shifts your perspective from earth to heaven. It's a process where your heart is aligned with God's reality, not just venting earthly frustrations. Let prayer renew you daily.
- **Serve.** Serving gives purpose beyond self. It reminds you that you're part of something bigger. It's often in serving others that we find healing for ourselves.
- **Give.** Giving attaches temporary resources to eternal outcomes. It creates legacy, meets needs, and brings breakthrough stories into motion.
- **Share Jesus.** Eternity is someone else's reality, even if it's not yet your priority. Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit's promptings in everyday moments. Invite someone to church. Share hope.

Key Scripture

"So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." —**2 Corinthians 4:18 NIV**

Talk About It

1. What part of this week's message hit closest to home for you?
2. Have you ever chased something that didn't fulfill you the way you hoped it would? How did that experience shape your faith?
3. Which of the three symptoms (frustrated, tired, unfulfilled) do you relate to most right now? Why?
4. Of the four next steps (pray, serve, give, share Jesus), which one do you feel God is highlighting for you personally?
5. Who in your life needs to hear about Jesus? What simple step could you take to invite them?

Prayer

God, thank You for giving us something bigger than our problems. Help us fix our eyes on what is unseen and eternal. When we feel frustrated, tired, or unfulfilled, renew us with Your peace and purpose. Grow our desire to pray, to serve, to give generously, and to share Jesus boldly. Let our lives reflect the joy and peace that come from living for You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Leader Tips

People may open up about disappointment, spiritual fatigue, or unmet expectations. Be ready to listen without trying to fix. Share your own stories of realignment when your focus had drifted. Invite your group to take a next step this week—serve, give, pray, or invite someone to church. The goal isn't perfection but progress toward an eternal perspective.