Small Group APPLICATION QUESTIONS

"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says." James 1:22 NIV

SUMMARY

Eric DiCicco taught a message entitled, "The Reformer: How to Bring Real Change" from Ezra 7-8. In this message, we looked at how God raised up a man named Ezra to bring reform to Israel. We learned four lessons about reformers.

1. Reformers orient their lives around God's word

- What does it mean for someone to "orient their life" around God's word?
- What step could you take this week towards orienting your life around God's word?

2. Reformers exemplify great courage

- What is the essence of biblical courage?
- What in your life right now needs a dose of courage?

APPLICATION

3. Reformers have integrity

- Why is integrity so important to the life of a reformer?
- Are there any areas of your life where your integrity needs a boost? If it's appropriate, feel free to share what needs to change.

4. Reformers pray and fast before they act

- Talk about your understanding of fasting and your experience with it.
- If you're at a crossroads and need wisdom, what would it look like for you to pray and fast?

PRAYER Pray that God would stir in our hearts a desire to help reform the things He cares about.



