

## **Talk it Over: Spring Cleaning, May 13 & 14, 2023**

### **Key Scriptures**

*Psalm 139:23-24*

*Luke 13:1-8*

### **Key Thoughts**

*God invites us to leave our disappointments with Him.*

### **Start Thinking**

*With the things you need to spring clean, have you begun to see it, say it, and leave it?*

### **Start Talking**

*What stood out to you from this message?*

### **Start Sharing**

1. *Have you ever had one of these distorted views of God?*

*-Lawnmower God- He rushes ahead of me to clear out any disruptions.*

*-Picture Perfect God- When I follow Jesus, he will make everything perfect in my life.*

*-Gold Medal God- If I follow the right faith recipe, God will reward me.*

*How could each of these false views of God set you up to experience disappointment in Him?*

2. *Scripture tells us why God sent Jesus (Luke 19:20, 1 Tim 1:15, Mark 10:45). What is the truth in that?*

3. *Are you trying to produce the fruit you're meant to grow? What are you meant to produce? What are you good at, What's in your lane?*

4. *Jesus experienced disappointment too... in Israel, his ministry, his disciples. What is the dead thing in your life that is taking up space right now? Is it a dream, an idea, a person, a thing? Can you say it aloud to God and each other?*

5. *Often times the problem you can see is caused by a problem you can't see. What would it look like to deal with your disappointment on a root level instead of a leaf level?*

6. *Think of someone in your life who may need you to sit in the dung with them. Who is God asking you to persist with, to have stamina and hope for in the dung? How can we love others well in these times?*

### **Start Praying**

*Lord God, thank you for sending your son to save us and to invite us into relationship and eternal life with you. Forgive us when we pick up distorted views of you and then get disappointed in you when things don't go as we planned. Help us to know who you are and what your promises say so that we can trust you fully with our disappointments. Help us to relinquish our false control. Thank you for the invitation to leave our disappointments at the cross and to let you to work on them. Give us the courage to see it, say it and leave it to you Father. We love you and we trust you. In Jesus name, Amen.*

### **Start Doing**

*What is one disappointment in your life that needs to be dug around and dealt with at a root level? Who do you need to say it to and leave it with this week?*