

Leader Tip: In the course of this curriculum there will be 3 video links totaling 18 minutes, in order for this weeks discussion to be of any value it will be essential that your group has the opportunity to view these videos. Best-case scenario would be that you could connect your laptop to your television via HDMI cable and just click on provided links as you move through the material. If necessary, your group could view the video directly from a laptop. This is also a great opportunity to activate someone in your group who is technically suave to assist you. Your Lifegroup Pastors are praying that this series is both challenging and a blessing to your group!

THE WIN

The group member will be willing to take a baby step risk toward expressing their faith to someone already in their life.

1-2 minutes

SERMON RECAP: WHAT DID THE TEXT MEAN? WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

In the message this week we learned when we set out to seek The One there is always a risk involved, but the reward is great!

3-5 minutes

WARM UP

Leader Tip: In the following question It may be helpful to stimulate member's memories by suggesting examples like, when a pet escaped the back yard or when a child wondered off in a mall. Ask them to elaborate on their feelings of anxiety and relief in the story.

Ask This:

What was the most valuable possession you have lost and how did you respond when you found it?

30-35 minutes

THE TEXT: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ME?

The Text:

Have someone read Luke 15:1-10

Say This: Several times in the Gospels we see Jesus hanging out with sinners who are far, far away from God.

Ask This:

- What do you think made Jesus so attractive to people who had a lot of sin?
- Why is it so difficult for us to develop relationships with people who are different from us when Jesus did it all the time?

Do This:

Watch this video of Brian Welch, former lead singer of the band "Korn" http://www.iamsecond.com/seconds/brian-welch/

Say This:

Isn't it amazing that by sharing one scripture at the right time makes such a monumental difference in One persons life?

Ask This:

- What do you feel Brian was most impressed about in the man who gave him the New Testament bible and how can we learn from this observation?
- What kind of risk did Brian's real estate broker take by sharing Matthew 11:28 with him?

Do This:

Watch this video of atheist/comedian Penn Jillett of how one genuinely concerned Christian made a powerful impact on his way of thinking. https://vimeo.com/52957285

Say This:

Even though this conversation did not immediately result in conversion for Penn, It obviously made an impact in his life. It is important that we recognize we may rarely see the full results of our witness as Paul stated in 1 Corinthians 3:6 "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth."

Ask This:

- What were your thoughts when Penn said "How much do you have to hate someone to believe that everlasting life is possible and not tell them about it?"
- What kinds of fears come to your mind when you are contemplating sharing Jesus with a friend, neighbor or co-worker?

DO This:

Watch this video of Pricilla Nicoara. Priscilla grew up under the oppression of a controlling government and a self-centered mother but one young man made all the difference. http://www.iamsecond.com/seconds/priscilla-nicoara/

Say This:

Everything changed in Pricilla's thoughts about herself because one young man took a huge risk and said a few encouraging words about Jesus.

Ask This:

- What do you think was the most impactful characteristic of the young man in Pricilla's story?
- In what ways can you utilize this story to help you be more effective in going after The One?
- Where do you think Pricilla would be today if this young man would not have taken the risk?

3-5 minutes

DIGGING DEEPER

Leader Tip: You gotta watch this one! What a compelling story of a popular tattoo artist (Whispering Danny) whose life was transformed because of one man's prayer.

http://www.iamsecond.com/seconds/whispering-danny/

Ask This: Have you ever thought about taking a risk and asking someone you know who is going through a storm "Could I pray for you right now?" This is one of the most powerful tools in going after The One!