LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

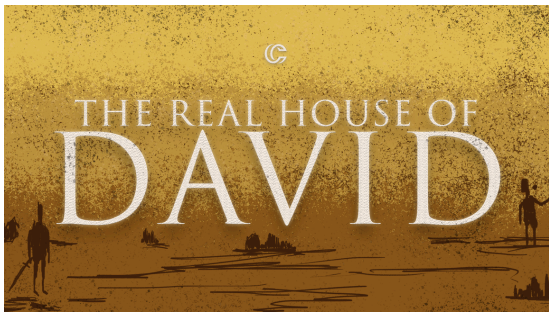
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WELCOME - (5-10 MINUTES)

Welcome Everyone. Introduce yourself and any new individuals.

Have a member read ALL of the group goals and ONE guideline.



BREAK THE ICE:

Has there been a time that you misjudged someone by the way they looked?

TAKE THAT FIRST STEP!

Is there anyone in your Life Group who needs to be connected to becoming a member of the church? Check out our FIRST STEPS today!

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WORSHIP ACTIVITY - (10-15 MINUTES)

Ask the Life Group to stand-up & sing together. If your group meets in public, ask a member to text out a song before the meeting and have everyone worship on the way!

GOD OF THIS CITY by Chris Tomlin

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WORD - (15-20 MINUTES) READ 1 SAMUEL 16:1-23

1. Why is God telling Samuel to anoint a new king?
2. What specific instructions does God give Samuel when he goes to anoint the new king?
3. What was David's initial role in Saul's house?
4. Why do you think Jesse didn't call David in from the field when Samuel was coming to choose a new king?
5. What does this passage reveal about how God evaluates people? (v. 7)
6. Why would God anoint David as king, then place him in Saul's service as a harpist?
7. Have you ever been called but God put you in a waiting season before stepping into the position?
8. David's first position was to soothe Saul when he was being tormented. How do we respond when called to minister to those who are depressed, fearful or anxious?
9. In what ways are your gifts being used even in a seemingly small way but could be part of God's bigger calling on your life? (David was called to be king, but was playing the harp)

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WITNESS - (10-15 MINUTES)

BREAKOUT TIME: Break into smaller, like-gendered groups of 3-4. Address the following question(s):

- What do you do to be comforted or overcome depression, fear or anxiousness?
- Talk about a time in your life where you felt called to something “greater” but found yourself in a humble role.
- How can we embrace the “harp season as part of God’s bigger plan”?
- Pray for each other to have peace and joy.

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CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

- **Has everyone in the Life Group completed *First Steps*? This is a great place to meet the staff, find out more about ministry opportunities, ask questions and get plugged into a great community of believers.**
- Next Sunday, June 15th, is Father’s Day. Take a moment to thank God for the gift of Fathers and for the Fathers in your life. Pray for their well-being, wisdom, and strength, and ask God to guide them in their roles.
- **Tuesday, June 24th, Mark your calendar! This evening is all about YOU! Join us for an encouraging and fun night with food, vision, and appreciation as we prepare for the fall semester. You’ve poured into others-now it’s time for us to pour into you! Dinner starts at 5:30pm, Event starts at 6:30pm. Register here.**
- Reminder, Life Group will take a summer semester break from June 15 through July 12. Use this time to stay connected to your Life Group members by checking out some of our ideas on our Life Group Leaders Facebook page.