MESSAGE BASED QUESTIONS



I Choose- Week I

What we choose matters. No one drifts into being remarkable—the choices we make will either get us there or hold us back. It's time to take a step forward. Are you ready to choose?

Conversation Starter: Pick one of the questions below to get started-

- How do you like your eggs?
- When it comes to ordering food are you a creature of habit or do you consistently choose something new?

Discussion Questions:

Question 1: Do you consider yourself methodical and purposeful or do tend to you fly by the seat of your pants?

Question 2: Why are our everyday, seemingly insignificant decisions anything but trivial?

Question 3: If we're going to live a remarkable life we have to make the choice to put purpose over popularity. Describe a time you made a decision based on peer pressure. What was the result?

Read I Thessalonians 2:1-6

Question 4: How can our desire for approval or acceptance keep us from pursuing a greater purpose for our lives?

Question 5: Jason shared that purpose can move us through pain and give us the courage to act even when we're afraid. How have you experienced these two truths in your life?

Question 6: You can't please everyone, but you can please One. What difficult decision do you need to make this week to start obeying God rather than being obligated to the voices around you?

Next Steps:

- **Pause-** If you struggle with fighting for the approval of others pause your social media accounts. Taking a time-out from the never-ending cycle of likes and comments can be good for your health!
- **Pursue-** Take time to connect with God and find out what He thinks about you! <u>Click here</u> for a five-day reading plan that will help you choose purpose over popularity.
- Plan- Write out hopes and dreams you have for your life. Spend some time asking God what unique things has he prepared for you. When we know what we want our lives to be about we can make choices that will help bring about the desired results!

Prayer:

Ask God to give you a new level of intentionality when it comes to the choices you make. Pray that you might be captivated by your identity as a child of God, and not the other labels we tend to use to make ourselves feel purposeful. Ask for the courage to obey God rather than seeking the approval of people.