

MESSAGE BASED QUESTIONS



I Choose- Week 2

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-

- Would you rather be the driver or the passenger? Why?
- What is one thing you are overly particular about when it comes to housework? (*Hint: Think loading the dishwasher, mowing the grass, folding the laundry, etc.*)

Discussion Questions:

Question 1: Why do you think we tend to naturally choose control over surrender?

Question 2: In which areas of your life do you tend to be the most controlling (*Hint: Think family, work, money, friendships?*) How does this impact people you care about?

- **Read Ephesians 5:15-17**

Question 3: How is trying to control our own lives not living in a way that is wise?

Question 4: Being filled with the Spirit is supposed to be normal for every follower of Jesus. In what ways have you imaged it to be bizarre or complex? How did this week's message reframe what it means to be "filled with the Spirit"?

Question 5: Share a past or present experience where you've given God your trust. How are you practically doing this? What does it look like to give this to God?

Question 6: David shared that if we want to be filled with God's Spirit, which enables us to live a remarkable life, we need to make ourselves available to him. What are some practical ways you can make room for God to work in and through your life this week?

Next Steps:

- **Search-** What areas of your life are you trying to control? Ask God to help show you where you are struggling to trust Him.
- **Seek-** Once you identify your combat for control, write it down on paper. Put this paper somewhere you spend time every day and repeatedly give it to God in prayer.
- **Surrender-** Choose one practical step you can take this week to give control over to God.

Prayer:

Thank God for caring enough about us that he wants to be intricately involved in the details of our lives. Ask for forgiveness over the areas you have been trying to run as if you knew better. Invite the Holy Spirit to loosen our grip on the innate desire to control the details of our destinies and instead let Him lead as only He can.