Stuck: Get Back In the Game

You Who? September 17, 2023

Notes

Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion

1. Read 2 Peter 1:5-11.

Focused, intentional and passionate. Those were the words Pastor Chris used to describe the kind of life we are called to live as followers of Jesus. As you read through these verses, is there an area or two where you are stuck? Identify the areas of your life where you need to be more focused, intentional and passionate.

What will you do this week to step up your focus, intention or passion in one or two of those areas and get unstuck? What kind of help might you need to move forward?

2. Read Isaiah 55:8-9.

As you read this verse, consider the grace of God in your life and what it means to be 'enough.' How does grace turn our human perspective of earning approval and being enough, upside down?

How do your heart and mind respond to God's grace toward you?

3. Read Ephesians 2:1-10.

From these verses, compile a list of the things that the Apostle Paul (the author of this letter) says are true about who you are as a follower of Jesus.

Which of these things is the most difficult for you to understand or accept?

If these things are true (and they are!) how does or might that change how you live?

4. Read 1 Peter 2:9-10.

Write down the identity statements included in these verses. Who does God say you are?

Does the way you think about yourself, the way you carry yourself, the way you interact with and treat others, align with these truths about who you are? In what ways? In what areas do you need to grow?

5. Read 2 Corinthians 5:7.

In what ways is your life as a believer different than what it was or might have been, without Christ?

Are you living **for** God's approval or **from** God's approval?