

# WEEKLY STUDY GUIDE

#### FOR THE NEXT FIVE WEEKS

OUR PRAYER FOR YOU DURING THE NEXT FIVE WEEKS IS THAT YOU WILL INTENTIONALLY SURRENDER ANY AREA OF YOUR LIFE TO THE LORDSHIP OF JESUS CHRIST. AS WE BEGIN THIS ALL TO HIM INITIATIVE, TWO-YEAR DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY. WE PREPARED THIS GUIDE TO HELP YOU ALONG THE WAY. EACH WEEK WE'LL USE THE REAP METHOD TO STUDY THE WORD AND RESPOND TO THE WEEKLY SERMON. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE TIME TO WORK THROUGH THE QUESTIONS AND THEN SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS WITH YOUR SMALL GROUP.

#### READ

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand the scriptures as you start reading Luke 18:18-30. Interact with the text by underlining any repeating words and circling words or phrases that stand out to you. Read through these scriptures at least two times.

#### EXAMINE

- The rich young ruler acknowledges Jesus is good as he asks him a question. Jesus then reaffirms His oneness with God. Why is it important for us to see who Jesus really is as we look to follow Him?
- Jesus tells the ruler to sell everything, give to the poor, and follow Him. Without God, it's impossible for us to do this. How have you struggled with giving and following Jesus instead of money in your life?
- When we give up everything for the sake of the kingdom of God, Jesus promises we will get more both now and later. How have you experienced this? Since Jesus doesn't promise riches, what could this look like and not look like?

## APPLY

Take what God has shown you through your time in His Word, and apply it to your life this week.

 Take a few minutes to think about how you are using everything God has given you. Are these God-given things being used to build the kingdom of God or chase after things that will never satisfy? What needs to change for you to have a more eternal perspective?

# **PRAY**

God, thank you for loving me first. You are a loving and kind Father. You are creator, sustainer, and provider. Create in me a humble and willing heart. Help me to bring everything to You as an act of worship. Amen.

## THE POINT

WE BRING OUR FIRST AND BEST TO GOD BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US BY GIVING US HIS BEST IN JESUS CHRIST.