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DIRECTION FOR THE JOURNEY



SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE
January 28, 2024 | "Playing to Win"



GROWING CLOSER TOGETHER _____

- 1) What is or was your favorite game show?
- 2) Have you ever won a competition? If so, share about it.



MESSAGE REFLECTION _____

- 1) Share something from the service/message that stood out to you, inspired you, or encouraged you.
- 2) Read **1 Corinthians 9:19-24** together. Does anything in particular jump out at you from this passage?
- 3) How can your desire to "win the lost" come across as disingenuous? How can you guard against being disingenuous in your efforts to evangelize?
- 4) What is the mission of "the Church?" On a scale of 1-10, how are you doing in helping to accomplish this mission? What is an obstacle you've encountered?
- 5) How prepared/confident are you to be able to share the good news about Jesus with someone?
- 6) How does being together in person help advance the mission?
- 7) Share about a God moment you've seen or experienced. Why should you desire God movements over God moments?
- 8) What is the difference between mediocrity and excellence when it comes to your efforts to evangelize the lost?



GOING DEEPER _____

READ – Luke 15:1-7, 8-10, 11-32 together

- 1) What jumps out at you from these three parables that is interesting or thought-provoking?
- 2) What are the Pharisee’s underlying assumptions that are exposed from their statement in verse 2?
- 3) Imagine how the parables could have ended differently if the main characters had shown mediocrity instead of excellence in their pursuit of something that was lost.
- 4) Why is it so easy to forget the mission and spend time doing good, but eternally unimportant things?
- 5) Is your attitude more like the father or the older brother when it comes to the lost? Why?
- 6) How is God’s love for both the wayward son AND the discontented son (both lost) show up in the final “lost” parable?



LIVING IT OUT _____

- 1) Who is someone in your life who is lost and needs you to show them how to be found? If you’re not already doing it, pray for them daily.
- 2) Take time to celebrate with someone who you’ve observed taking the next step in their faith journey.



LIFT EACH OTHER UP _____

Take some time to pray for each other in your life group
