

THE BIG IDEA

- What you temporarily desire is often in conflict with what you really value. But your heavenly Father knows what you need.

GET STARTED

- Not to start too morbidly but what was the greatest funeral you ever attended? What made it different?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

How deep do you want to take your Group? Choose from these questions to lead your discussion.

1. During this week's message Ben said, "This world is designed to distract you from what really matters, and our culture is obsessed with upgrades and experiences." What are some ways your quest for upgrades or experiences has distracted you from what you really value?
2. Do you think your parents' generation had an easier time focusing on what they valued versus what they merely wanted? How did this play out in your family?
3. Take turns Reading Hebrews 11:24-26. Moses was able to distinguish between what he wanted and what he valued. What is the relationship between the "fleeting pleasure of sin," "greater value," and "looking ahead"? How did Moses overcome the temptation to opt for immediate over ultimate?
4. Have one person read Romans 12:1-2. How have you seen Christians conforming to this world? How have you seen this conforming in your own life?
5. Does the idea that God's will can be characterized as "good, pleasing, and perfect" strike you as odd? Why or why not?
6. Has there ever been a time when you would have characterized God's will as threatening, unfulfilling, and insensitive to the way you are wired? If so, what changed your mind about God?
7. Take some time in your group to SPECIFICALLY pray for Anniversary Sunday and those you NEED to invite.
8. If you have not already completed your OUTREACH IDEA for this semester. ITS TIME!

FOR FURTHER READING

- Acts 4:12
- Discuss group party plan for next week.