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Reversal

Week 2 Group Guide

A series on the economy of God



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THE ECONOMY OF GOD

Overview

The way it is now isn't the way it has to be always. Life with God means being able to depend on dramatic reversals: poor to rich, hurting to healed, last to first. But, we aren't just passive players in these changes. We have a part to play, and that part gives us incredible purpose. Where do you need God to turn things around? That just may be the place he's looking to partner with you. In this series, we will learn how to experience the reversing economy of God.

Week Two ::

While everyone else may stop following our stories after the failure we are left to deal with the fallout of our decisions. This a hole that we often need help climbing out of but if we are willing to enter into that process of reversal we may just find our purpose. That holy purpose that was given in the beginning by God and is realized by all our favorite heroes of scripture.

Key takeaways & Action Items

- They get to observe our failure, but we are forced to live with the fallout.
- Failure is public and hurtful but being unable to manage the fallout is what kills us.
- It seems that when you don't have to hustle as much, that new found free-time can become a near-future failure.
- He might as well have traded those priestly robes for an anxious armor of doubt.
- The conversation that these two men had in 2 Samuel was not about an affair and a murder as much as it was about an identity issue and David's ability to disassociate from the where he actually existed.
- what God wants from you is actually for you?

Group Discussion Questions

1. Think of a big failure in your life. Was it public or private? If you're comfortable with sharing, what was it and how did you deal with it?
2. The actual failure isn't what destroys us, it's the fall out from that failure. When you've failed at something, what do you do to crawl out of the dark hole it puts you in? How does failures fallout change your routine? (Sleep, exercise, eating,etc)
3. Last week we talked about King David and his victory over many things when no one thought he could do it. This week, we talked about how King David became comfortable in his "own power" and didn't think he could ever fail, at anything.

Recap the story of David & Bathsheba.

David couldn't deal with his failure of sleeping with Bathsheba, so his fallout led to killing her husband.. But that wasn't enough. He stayed in the dark hole that made him paranoid and self-reliant.

David's biggest failure was that he relied on himself, and not God. He even sent

people to count his army men so that he could feel protected.

How does this resonate with you? When you fail, do you become more self reliant and try to fix things yourself?

4. Thankfully, King David had a trusted advisor, Nathan. Do you have a trusted advisor in your life? Do they speak hard truths to you? Are you receptive to them? Give examples.
5. Nathan holds David accountable for his actions, and David finally accepts this accountability and starts the reversal process. David replaces his self reliance with the fatih that allowed him to slay giants. Read 2 Samuel 22:2-3
What are some current fallouts you need to reverse and give back to God to control?
What are some self reliant tactics you need to release?
6. We have to accept that what we think God wants FROM us, he actually wants FOR us. Ask the people around you in this circle, and your life circles, "what do you see in me that needs to be given back to God?"

Scripture & Resources

- "The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation..." 2 Samuel 22:2-3(NIV)