



DISCUSSION GUIDE

THIS WEEK: "Unchained from Control" - Genesis 3, Hebrews 11-12, 2 Tim 1:7

GETTING STARTED

What is one thing you are thankful for this week and what is one thing we can pray for you this week?

Remind each other of our simple expectations for meeting together.

If you found buried treasure in your backyard, what would you do first? Why? How would finding this impact your life?

QUICK REACTIONS

How would you summarize/paraphrase the message in your own words?

What point/idea resonated most with you? Why?

Did you disagree with something said, or what do you think should have been added or expanded on?

QUESTIONS FROM THE MESSAGE

In what ways do you see control play out in relationships around you?

In what ways do you see society shaping our illusion of control?

What does wresting control cost us? What is the cost to others around us?

Have you found ways in which you try to separate yourself from something to help you maintain the illusion of control?

EXPLORE THE PASSAGE [Genesis 3, Hebrews 11, 2 Tim 1:7]

Read through some of the names in Hebrews 11. How can knowing about their lives give us strength of ours?

Much was lost in that first sin in Genesis 3, which consequence feels especially heavy to you today?

What does a life surrendered to power, love and sound judgment look like to you?

In what ways have you felt the crush of the chain of control in your life or the lives of those around you?

APPLY THE PASSAGE

Is there anything that is particularly hard to yield to God today?

What do we learn about God and about ourselves in these passages?

What may God be asking you to change, do differently, repent of, pray about as a result of engaging with this passage?

How can we pray for each other?