

# 10 LESSONS FOR A LIFE OF SIGNIFICANCE

## LESSON 4 // SEEK GOD'S GUIDANCE

**Big Idea:** To experience a significant life, you need the right kind of guidance.

The best guidance comes from the best guide. You can follow the advice of other people or the world around you, but only God gives you the best direction and wisdom for your journey. When you trust Him totally, obey Him fully and follow Him confidently, you can be sure He will be the Shepherd you need.

To have the Lord as your Shepherd doesn't mean He makes every decision for you. It's more about you becoming the kind of spiritually mature person who makes the right decisions to honor Him. Spiritually mature people are trained by the Shepherd to make choices that lead to significance and avoid mistakes that derail their lives.

**Psalm 23:1-6 (NIV)** *The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. <sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, <sup>3</sup> he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. <sup>4</sup> Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. <sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. <sup>6</sup> Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

### Discussion Questions:

This weekend we learned that to live a significant life we need to seek God's guidance. What part of the message spoke to you the most and why?

Have you ever been lost before? Describe what you felt and things you did as you tried to figure out where to go?

**Read Proverbs 3:5-7.** God is good and wants to guide us. Is it easy for you to ask for help or guidance? Why or why not? What are some principles you live your life by today? How much of these were formed from childhood? From scripture?

**Read Psalm 32:8.** How can you embrace God as not just an advisor, but as a present and loving guide?

Who does God want you to become? Think about what you're asking God for. Then, answer these questions: What do I really want, why do I want it, and will this cause me to become more like Christ?

### Prayer Focus:

Holy Spirit, we invite You to rule our decisions, especially when we don't know what's ahead. Thank You for your guidance in our lives. In Jesus' name, amen.

Ask your group: What's one area in your life you need God's guidance most? Apply scripture this week and invite others to pray for you.