

Small Group Study Guide

ICE BREAK

- Have you ever thought of yourself as a prophet for God? How does that role empower you in your life?
 - Share about a time you spoke to someone about God and it had an unexpected impact?
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STUDY

This week we focus on the power of community in forming "Christ In Us". What did you hear that was new?

1. Read 2 Kings 6:1-7

- a. What parallels do you see in our society with Israel at the time of Elisha ?
- b. Are you more hopeful or pessimistic about the current spiritual welfare of our society? The Future? Explain your reasoning.
- c. In "such a time as this" what is the role of community and how vital is encouraging one-another?
- d. What challenges do we face in belonging to a community of faith in a culture of individualism?

2. P.O.L.E. was presented as the sermon application:

3. PRAYER: Praying for The Branch Church (BC)

- a. What are specific prayer needs/praises for our church?

4. OFFERING to Make: Financial/Ministry/Service

- a. Where do you "fit in" in contributing to BC?

5. LIFE to touch: Forming Christ in Someone

- a. How has someone most impacted your life at BC?
- b. Who have you most impacted?

6. ENCOURAGEMENT: Put the Heart into Someone

- a. In your small group/worship at BC do you prayerfully prepare to encourage someone who is discouraged or disheartened?
 - b. Who encouraged you when you were disheartened? Does it take a special talent to encourage or more a measure of courage?
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REFLECT

- Reflect on a time where a what have I just done moment became a look what God has done moment.
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PRAY

- Pray for each other to grow in a specific area of P.O.L.E.
- Follow up on past prayer requests.
- Pray for the courage to be encouraged and encourage more as God's prophet.