



## Life with a Capital “L” Small Group Discussion Guide

### Opening Prayer:

Begin your discussion with a brief prayer, asking for understanding and guidance as you explore the themes in Ephesians.

### Discussion Questions:

#### 1. Understanding Our State (Ephesians 2:1-3)

- What does it mean to be "dead in trespasses and sins"? How can we relate this to our lives today?
- In verses 1-3, Paul describes a life that follows "the prince of the power of the air." What do you think this means in a contemporary context? How do we see this in our society?
- Discuss the idea that "sin feeds an unhinged life." How have you seen this play out in your own experiences or in the lives of those around you?

#### 2. God's Mercy and Grace (Ephesians 2:4-7)

- Verse 4 begins with "But God." How does this phrase change the tone of the passage? What does it signify about God's character?
- Reflect on the phrase "by grace you have been saved." What does grace mean to you, and how has it impacted your life?
- How does the idea of being "raised up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places" inspire or challenge you in your daily life?

#### 3. Who We Follow Matters (Ephesians 2:1-3)

- Todd mentions that "who we follow matters." Who are some influences in your life that guide your decisions and actions? Are they leading you toward life or away from it?
- Discuss the implications of following the world versus following Jesus. How can we discern who or what we are truly following?



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### **4. Living Life with a Capital “L”**

- What does “life with a small ‘l’” look like, and how does it differ from “life with a capital ‘L’”?
- Todd emphasizes three aspects of life with a capital “L”: Salvation, Baptism, and Abundant Living. How do you see these elements playing out in your own life or community?
- What steps can you take to move from feeling stuck to embracing an abundant life?

### **5. Personal Reflection and Commitment**

- Have you made a decision to trust Christ? If so, how has that changed your perspective on life? If not, what holds you back from making that decision?
- If you are interested in baptism or learning more about it, what questions do you have? How can this group support you in that journey?

### **Conclusion:**

- Summarize key points discussed and encourage participants to reflect on their personal journeys regarding faith and living abundantly.
- Remind everyone to go to the HHICC app and sign up for baptism if they have made a decision or want to learn more about baptism.

### **Closing Prayer:**

Conclude the discussion with a prayer, thanking God for His mercy and grace, and asking for strength to follow Him and live life with purpose and abundance.