

Small Group Lesson 1 | Grow Together: Give Up

Main Idea: Disciples of Jesus daily surrender their will to God.

Main Scripture: Matthew 6:9-10

Get Connected:

1. Share a time in your life you gave up something important to you (control, a gift, a relationship, a vacation, a sport, a hobby, etc) and ended up receiving more than you gave up.
2. Share a time you thought you were in control of a situation and realized later you actually had no control at all, you were powerless.

In the Word:

Read Matthew 8:5-13

1. What motivated the centurion to approach Jesus?
2. What do we learn about surrender from this story?
3. What prevents you from approaching Jesus for your needs?

Read Matthew 16:24-25

1. Give a modern-day example of verse 25.
2. What does "take up your cross" look like in 2020?

Application:

1. What does total surrender to God mean to you?
2. What area of your life have you successfully surrendered to God?
3. What area of your life have you struggled to surrender to God? Why?
4. What is the possible "abundant life" you may "find" when you are able to completely surrender that area?

Closing Prayer: Consider praying together the Lord's Prayer. Matthew 6:9-13