

# VISION SERIES - Life Group Notes

## Week 3: Make a Difference



### CONNECT QUESTIONS

Describe your view of family – and your place in your family 😊

If a history book was to record one thing about your life, what would you want it to be?

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Check out the story of Noah (even if it is familiar to you). Read **Genesis 6:5-8**, **Genesis 7:1** and **Matthew 24:7**.

Noah was called to stand out in a society that was much like ours today – far from God! He followed the call of God, and was prepared to stand out to obey all that God asked of him. Why do you think God chose Noah? Why do you think God chooses people today? Do you think you are chosen? Why/why not?

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The vision of our church is to:

1. Know God
2. Discover Purpose
3. Make a Difference

This third week of our vision series is focussing on making a difference! There are three areas in which we can make a difference with our lives:

1. Making a difference for those closest to me
2. Making a difference for my generation
3. Making a difference for God

Check out **Acts 16:3**. What does this verse mean for you? How do you think you can practically make a difference for those in your household? For those closest to you?

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Check out **Jeremiah 15:19**. How do you think you can make a difference for your generation?

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Check out **2 Chronicles 16:9**. What does this verse say to you about positioning yourself for God's presence? How do you think you can make a difference for God? What would this look like?

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Often fear can hold us back from fulfilling God's call our lives – to make a difference to those around us. Check out these verses which talk about facing fear:

1. Afraid of the past (we have to let go of the past so it can let go of you). **Romans 11:29**
2. Afraid of the crowd – don't allow intimidation to hold you back – **Proverbs 29:25**
3. Afraid of taking the first step – think about Noah – he must have been ridiculed for building an ark in the middle of the country – but he stood firm! Check out **1 Kings 19:11-12**
4. Afraid of failure – **Matthew 28:20**

Do you experience fear in any of the above areas? How do you deal with fear? What is your response? What would you like your response to be? How will you get there?

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Our lives reflect the time that we spend with Jesus – the more time we spend in His presence, the more likely we are to make a significant difference with our lives! How would you describe your own personal time with Jesus? Do you think you spend enough time? What are some of the ways you will connect with Jesus this week?

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## **PRAYER**

Pray and ask God for boldness and courage to make a difference with our lives

Pray for one another to experience a fresh sense of God's presence that would transform how we do life!

Pray for opportunities to make a difference in our families, in our generation and for God.