

Father's Day: Live a Life Worth Imitating

Small group discussion guide for the sermon on Sunday, June 15.

Scripture:

Acts 20:18-21

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Key Takeaways

- 1. Everyone has influence. It's important to understand who you have influence with.
- 2. To live a life worth imitating...
 - a. Serve with humility
 - b. Speak truth with courage
 - c. Stay Gospel-centered

Discussion

- 1. Who has been a positive influence in your life, and how did they impact you?
- 2. We often underestimate our influence. How have you seen this play out in your own life?
- 3. How does the idea that 'there are always people watching you' impact the way you live your daily life?
- 4. Paul served 'with great humility and with tears.' What does it look like to serve others with humility, and how can you cultivate this attitude?
- 5. Is speaking truth with courage difficult, easy, or somewhere in-between for you? Explain.
- 6. How does staying 'gospel-centered' influence those around you?
- 7. Joshua's declared: "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." What would it look like for you to make this declaration in your own life and context?

Practical Applications

- 1. Write a short paragraph about the kind of influence you want to have on others. What specific actions can you take to move towards being that kind of influence?
- 2. Choose one day this week to intentionally put others first in every interaction. Reflect on how this changes your perspective and actions.
- 3. Identify one situation where you need to speak truth courageously. Pray about it and plan how you will approach the conversation with both courage and love.
- 4. Set aside time each day this week to read the Gospels. Reflect on how Jesus' life and teachings can shape your daily decisions and actions.