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Session 1: Bezaleel

Key Scriptures:

Exodus 25 - Exodus 31

Opening Remarks:

Have you ever considered just how monumental the task of building the Tabernacle was? The details of that work are so voluminous that they span seven chapters of the book of Exodus from chapter 25 through chapter 31. Let's consider a man who is significant in the life of Moses, Bezaleel.

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Discussion Questions:

1. What talents can God use to advance His Kingdom, both on earth and in Heaven?
2. How can you get involved in the work of God and effectively give your all? How can you teach and encourage others to get involved?
3. What area of ministry would you like to be involved in?

Closing Remarks:

The story of Bezaleel shows us that God cares about aesthetics and He is a God of beauty and design. Fine craftsmanship and skill in various artistic endeavors is a gift from God. The account of Bezaleel also reminds us that there will always be a need for people to work in the Kingdom of God. Whatever we feel called to do, God will empower us to do it and do it well.

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Session 2: Ethan

Key Scriptures:

Psalm 89

Opening Remarks:

Ethan, according to I Chronicles, was a Levite from the time of Solomon, and another verse indicates that he might have been a cymbal player in the Temple. He was clearly a man of great wisdom. In I Kings 4:31, his wisdom is used as the benchmark against which the surpassing wisdom of Solomon is measured. Let's consider this man named Ethan.

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Discussion Questions:

1. How does the story of Ethan impact your life? Explain.
2. Ethan had one chapter. If you had one chapter dedicated to your life, what would it say? How would the summary of your life's story read?
3. What changes are you willing to make so that the story of your life pleases God?

Closing Remarks:

Your life is a book that is being penned each day. Everything you do, everything you say, and everything you are adds another verse to your chapter. Your priorities color its story. Your dreams and ambitions shape the content. Your choices dictate much of the direction of this one chapter that you get to write.

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Session 3: Micaiah

Key Scriptures:

I Kings 22:14

Opening Remarks:

As time progresses and the world becomes ever more godless, it is likely that a Christ-centered worldview will become increasingly unacceptable. In a world where it's popular to take a seat in silence, we must be willing to take a stand in strength. Let's consider a man named Micaiah.

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Discussion Questions:

1. There will be moments in life where we must be like Micaiah. How can we be bold and speak what God says in a world that rejects God?
2. What might have been the tone of Micaiah's voice when he first gave the answer he knew Ahab wanted to hear?
3. How can you pray so that you will be ready to represent God's Word even when it is unpopular with those around you?

Closing Remarks:

Let's remember what this lesson is about: We are citizens of another country, a heavenly country and not any earthly one. We must be willing to resist the pressure simply to blend in by remaining silent in the face of opposition. Truth is truth, and that will not change. Therefore, people of truth cannot change either. We must live lives that testify to our commitment to the same principle that Micaiah expressed:

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Session 4: Onesiphorus

II Timohy 1:16-18

There is a risk of having our motives questioned when we care for the broken. Someone might try to judge our investment in a life that has been devastated by circumstances or choices, but you have to be willing to stand with a friend in spite of that risk. Let's consider one last man: Onesiphorus.

1. Onesiphorus lived up to his name, which means “bringing profit.” What can we do to bring a profit to God’s Kingdom?
2. Matthew 25 shares the perspective of Jesus and how kindness showed towards others is kindness shown towards Him. What can you do to extend mercy?
3. Caring for people is costly. What price are you willing to pay for the success of others?

Without the mercy of God, we would not be where we are today. We also need the help of friends. Today let's celebrate the care others have shown us and commit to extending that same love to others. This series has reminded us of the value of serving in God's kingdom, whether or not we are noticed or applauded. Together each of us can make a difference. As we end in prayer, let God whisper to you the ways He wants to use you.

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