

# Life Group Discussion Guide

## June 8: 1 Samuel 15 --- The Justice and Mercy of God

## **Icebreakers:**

What food is your least favorite and why?

# **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Read 1 Samuel 15:1-9.
- 2. Why do you think we often want justice when we see evil, but get uncomfortable when the Bible says God brings judgment?
- 3. Have you ever wrestled with passages like this one that depict God's judgement? How have you handled the tension and continued to trust in God through that?
- 4. Can you think of a time you thought "God should explain himself to me"? What would it look like for you to give up your need for complete understanding and trust in God?
- 5. The sermon listed 6 reasons for us to be glad that God is a God of justice. Which one resonated with you the most, and why?
  - a. A just God means evil doesn't win.
  - b. Judgement reveals God's holiness and His moral perfection.
  - c. Justice includes vindication for the righteous.
  - d. God's judgement is always perfect and never corrupt.
  - e. The Cross is where justice and mercy met.
  - f. The final judgement- Evil is not a part of eternity.
- 6. How does the cross help us reconcile the tension between God's justice and mercy?
- 7. What does it mean for love to always involve justice?

#### 8. Have someone read Ezekiel 33:11 and 2 Corinthians 6:1-2.

- a. Randy said, "time does not atone for sin" and that "one of the most important words in the Bible is 'now.'" Are there any areas of your life where you have been delaying repentance or obedience? What would it mean to respond to God's invitation now?
- b. Are there any ways the group can support you in this?

## What's Happening in the Life of Legacy:

More details on these events can be found at <u>lcc.org/whats-happening</u>

#### All Campus

- Advance the Kingdom: We have exciting news in the life of Legacy! We want everyone to go "All In" on Project Advance. Learn more here: <u>https://lcc.org/advance/</u>
- Men's Softball: June 9 28. Black Bob Park. Cost \$40.
- **10 Years of Reaching Valor:** June 22. 4:00pm at the BV Campus.
- Kids Camp: June 22-24. 2 5 graders. Youthfront.
- Middle School Camp: June 25 28. Youthfront.
- High School CIY Move: July 7 12.

#### **Overland Park Campus**

- Women's Bible Study: June 9 August 11. 7:00pm. Abide by Jen Wilkin.
- Men's Taco Tour: June 17. 11:30am 1:00pm. Torchy's Tacos.

#### Lee's Summit Campus

- Women's Breakfast: June 14. 8:00am. The Shack.
- Men's Golf Scramble: June 21. 8:00am. Hoot's Hollow. Cost \$55.

#### **Olathe Campus**

• Men's Bible Study: Saturdays. 7:00 – 8:30am.

#### **Blue Valley Campus**

- Women's Game Night: July 11. 7:00pm.
- Men's Bible Study: Saturdays, 7:00 8:30 am.
- Women's Bible Studies: Friday and Saturday options are available.

### **Local Serving Opportunities:**

How can your Life Group Hear, See and DO the Word? Here are a few opportunities:

International Students, Inc. – For more info, contact Lindsay at lindsayjblanchard@gmail.com.

• Home Goods Giveaway to bless international students and scholars relocating to the KC area. Accepting donations of new or gently used small appliances, kitchenware, linens, and furniture.

#### Joy Meadows - For more info, contact Sarah at <a href="mailto:sarahnolan@joymeadows.org">sarahnolan@joymeadows.org</a>

• Both group and individual opportunities to volunteer are available. Some opportunities include mentoring a child, helping maintain the garden and orchard, or caring for the farm animals.