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BelPres Church

Group Discussion Guide: People of Conscience

Connect in Community: Gather with your community group to discuss this week's sermon. If you missed church this week or want to hear it again, you can listen to the sermon online anytime before your group meets. Being in regular community with others helps us notice how Jesus forms disciples over time and how the Holy Spirit uses regular people as part of God's work.

Icebreaker Question: Which emoji do you use the most?

Opening Question: Looking back to last week's sermon and scripture where we talked about taking bold steps of obedience… How has that conversation stuck with you? Have you had any additional insights into what biblical boldness looks like in your life right now? Did you practice being bold in a new way this past week?

Read this Week's Scripture: Open your bibles and read through this week's scripture passage together:

Esther 4

Discuss the Scripture: After reading the scripture together, discuss the following:

- What do you find surprising about this passage? What does the scripture suggest about who God is or what matters to him?
- Does this passage prompt or challenge you in any specific ways? Does it invite you to be bold in a new or different way?

Discuss the Sermon: Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:

- The sermon mentioned 4 principles of being a person of conscience who stands up for what is right:

    - 1) Rely on Jesus
    - 2) Be ready to pay a price
    - 3) Start where you are, use what you've got, do what you can
    - 4) Be wise and respectful.
- Which of these is hardest for you? Explain. Which of these is easiest for you? Explain
- Where might Jesus be calling you to be a person of conscience? [or stand up for the right thing]

Make an action plan for the week:

- Complete this sentence: "This week, I can practice being a person of conscience by _____"
- How have you noticed the Holy Spirit prompting you during our discussion time today?

Close in prayer: Close with a few minutes together in your group sharing prayer requests and then praying together for each other. Take the challenging parts of your conversation to Jesus. Thank God for the time together, the conversation shared, the other people in the group, and for encouragement in the week ahead.