

Limitless - Week 5

Discussion Guide



Icebreaker

What is the hardest thing you have ever had to let go of in life?

Read

Take turns reading Acts 20:18-38

Discuss

Paul reminds the Ephesians that his consistent message was one of "the necessity of repenting from sin and turning to God, and of having faith in our Lord Jesus" (v. 21).

- **How does the initial act of receiving God's grace require us to first let go?**
- **What does it look like for you personally to receive God's grace on a daily basis?**
- **Why do you think many of us struggle to receive grace instead of trying to earn it?**

Paul shared the truth about Jesus to the Ephesians and as he is leaving he is telling them to remember God's grace that he has given to them, tell people about that grace and share it with them.

- **Who helped you hear and understand God's grace for the first time?**
- **What are some simple ways you can share God's grace with people in your everyday life (family, workplace, neighborhood, etc.)?**

Paul provided a constant example by working hard to supply his own needs and the needs of those who were with him. He quoted Jesus saying "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (v. 35).

- **How does Paul's example challenge our natural inclination to cling to, or grasp tightly to, our own resources?**
- **How have you experienced the blessing of giving?**
- **How does your experience of receiving God's immeasurable grace motivate you to be generous?**

Application

The message of Paul's farewell results in three practical takeaways: receive God's grace, share God's grace, and give generously. God the Father let go of His Son, knowing He was headed for suffering and an excruciating death, because of His love for us. Receiving God's grace is the foundational step. Telling people about God's grace and being generous so they can experience it is the next step.

- **Where do I need to let go and receive God's grace?**
- **Who can I intentionally share God's grace with?**
- **What step of generosity is God inviting me into that requires faith, not just comfort?**

Prayer

Spend time in prayer thanking God for His grace that He freely gives. Specifically pray over the people you named to share God's grace with. Ask God for strength and courage to live lives of radical generosity, following Paul's example of working hard and living simply.