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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Based on the message by Pastor Mirek Hufton

1. SERMON RECAP

Jesus didn't come just to get us to heaven someday -- He came to give us a full, abundant, overflowing life right now. To step into that better life, we have to take three things seriously: investing deeply in God's Word, developing an eye of faith that sees what God promises before we see it in the natural, and guarding our mouths so that what we speak lines up with where God is taking us. Average was never God's plan for any of us -- He's calling us to shoot for the stars.

2. KEY SCRIPTURE

John 10:10 (NKJV)

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

3. ICE BREAKER

Think of one area of your life that has genuinely gotten better since you started following Jesus -- could be big or small. Would anyone like to share what that was?

4. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Pastor Mirek said there's a difference between a "good" life in Christ and God's absolute best for your life. What do you think holds most believers -- including yourself -- back from pursuing that greater "better"?

(Give people room to be honest here. There are no wrong answers -- comfort zones, fear of failure, past wounds, and busyness all come up in healthy groups.)

2. Pastor Mirek described being overly familiar with the Bible as one of our greatest dangers. What does that actually look like in everyday life, and have you ever caught yourself treating Scripture more like a religious habit than a living voice from God?

(Encourage honesty. This is a safe space -- most of us have been there.)

3. He talked about the "law of faith" -- that the Word of God works like a seed and produces a return when you genuinely invest it in your heart. Has there been a season in your life when being in the Word consistently made a visible difference? What changed, and what made that season happen?

(This question invites testimony. Let stories breathe -- they encourage everyone in the room.)

4. Pastor Mirek described standing on a roadside overlook, broke and discouraged, and choosing to speak expectations over his future out loud -- even when nothing around him confirmed it. What does that kind of "eye of faith" look like practically for someone in a hard season right now? What makes it feel risky or even foolish?

(This is a good vulnerability question. Don't rush past it.)

5. He was pretty direct that the words we speak -- positive or negative -- are pulling our future toward us. Do you find that easy to believe, or does part of you push back on it? What life experience shapes how you feel about this?

(This one will get lively. Some people love this idea; others struggle with it. Both responses are worth exploring together.)

6. Discipline came up as a key word -- the kind of focus that chooses the Word, guards the mouth, and keeps faith active even when feelings say otherwise. Where in your own life do you feel God nudging you toward more intentional spiritual discipline right now?

(Keep this personal and grace-filled. Nobody should feel condemned -- just honestly challenged.)

5. APPLICATION CHALLENGE

This week, choose one specific promise from Scripture that speaks directly to a challenge you are currently facing. Write it on a sticky note, an index card, or the lock screen of your phone. Read it out loud -- actually speak it, don't just think it -- every morning when you wake up and every evening before bed. At your next group meeting, be ready to share which verse you chose and what the week felt like.

This isn't magic -- it's practicing what Pastor Mirek preached: investing the Word, seeing with the eye of faith,

and lining your mouth up with where God is taking you.

6. PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for a deeper hunger -- Ask God to stir up a genuine appetite for His Word in every person in the group, not as a duty but as a delight.
 - Pray for eyes of faith -- Bring before God the specific situations in your group where people need to see what He has promised before they can see it in the natural -- marriages, finances, health, calling, or family.
 - Pray for guarded mouths -- Ask the Holy Spirit to make each person quickly aware this week when their words are pulling them away from God's best, and give them the courage to redirect their speech toward His promises.
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7. MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 84:11 (NKJV)

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly."

Leader tip: Don't feel pressure to get through every question. A great conversation on two or three questions is worth far more than rushing through all six. Let the Holy Spirit lead the room.