



## Group Guide 5/6/18

Series: FAITH THAT FOLLOWS

Message: **#5 A DIFFERENT LIFE**

### Start Talking:

- What are some things that are DIFFERENT about you since you became a Christ follower? (if you are one)
- What are some things that you still NEED TO BE DIFFERENT about you as a Christ follower?

### Start Thinking:

- What are some things in your life, or in the world that you have seen God restoring?
- Why does God want to restore people/things, why does He want people/things to be DIFFERENT?

### Start Digging:

Read **Colossians 1:15-23**

- What things are DIFFERENT because of Jesus and His work according to this Scripture?
- It says that God, through Jesus is “reconciling ALL THINGS” to himself. Do you think that means more than just our spiritual beings? If so, list some of these things you think of.

Read **2 Corinthians 2:5-11** [note Paul is address a specific situation in the church in Corinth]

- What is Paul commanding the church to do towards this man who has caused offense?
- Why do you think Paul is commanding this?
- According to the last couple of verses, what is at stake if they don't forgive this man?

Read **Colossians 3:22-24**

- How does this passage say we should view our WORK?
- Why do you think God wants us to view work this way? What is He trying to restore?

### **Start Challenging:**

- Which of the 4 broken relationships due to the fall of man (with God, Each other, Ourselves, and creation) is God challenging you to GROW and be RESTORED in right now? What is the situation?
- How can our group be praying for your restoration in that/those relationship(s)?

**Start Praying:** Lord, you are the God of restoration! Bring us to where you want us! Help us to view YOU, EACH OTHER, OURSELVES, and CREATION the way You do! Let us surrender all things to you as you restore and reconcile all things!