



PRAYER REQUESTS:



Small Group Discussion Guide Message Date: Feb. 11, 2018

“Small Changes, Big Results” Series 6: From Flattery to Truth

A. Here is a time when someone spoke truth to me, and even though it wasn't easy to receive at the time, looking back, I'm glad they did:

“Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.” Ephesians 4:15 (NIV)

B. According to Ephesians 4:15, what is a key aspect to growth in Christ, and why?

We Must Choose Truth Over Flattery With:

1. GOD. (1 Samuel 15:22) (Hosea 6:6)

“I want you to show love, not offer sacrifices. I want you to know me more than I want burnt offerings.” Hosea 6:6 (NLT)

C. When I consider that God wants to know me (and for me to know Him) more than He wants offerings, it makes me feel

2. MYSELF. (Romans 12:3)

“Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us.” Romans 12:3b (NLT)

D. Why would God want Paul to write this letter instructing us to take these measures? Why might this be a challenge?

3. OTHERS. (Matthew 5:37) (Matthew 18:15-17)

E. In Matthew 18:15-17, we are given instructions on how to handle personal conflict between believers. Read and discuss this process with the group