



MADE FOR LIGHT

YOU'VE BEEN FREED FROM THE SHACKLES OF SIN AND SHAME TO LIVE A SPIRIT CENTERED LIFE.

Leaders: Take your group through each section: Pray, Reflect, and Reach. Keep in mind the time allowances. In the Reflect section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.

"A CHRISTIAN'S RESIGNATION TO SIN BECOMES A FREE PASS TO DO IT."

DEREK NEIDER

All of us are familiar with sad stories of people who failed to live up to their full potential. Whether it was a promising athlete whose opportunities were squandered because of a foolish lifestyle, or an up-and-coming executive who short circuited because of greed, or even a Biblical character like Samson who allowed his lust to get the best of him.

Unfortunately, life is littered with people who failed to take advantage of the opportunities set before them. That danger exists for the Christian as well. As a child of God there is so much opportunity available to us, literally there for our taking. In fact, through the cross of Christ we have been unshackled from the dominion of sin and freed to live for the things of the Spirit. In the section of Scripture last Sunday, we discussed four things that Christ has freed us for. Walk in them this week and possess the possessions that God has possessed you for.



WATCH

Play the video prepared for this lesson by Pastor Derek Neider. Video sessions are available for download at www.cclasvegas.org/GROUPS



PRAY (10 min)

As a Home Group, take a moment to share the spiritual aspect of your Home Group that you enjoy the most. Pray for your Home Group to continue to grow in these areas.



REFLECT (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through the lesson this week, consider these questions as a group and discuss them together.

- **Christ has freed you to live a life liberated from the power of sin. Is there any area in your life that you have resigned to sin, acting as if sin is just an inevitability?**
- **John states that if we really know Christ we will live our lives the way He lived His life. What do you love the most about the way Jesus lived His life and how can you emulate those things?**

READ:

"AND HE WHO SENT ME IS WITH ME. THE FATHER HAS NOT LEFT ME ALONE, FOR I ALWAYS DO THOSE THINGS THAT PLEASE HIM."

JOHN 8:29



CALVARY CHAPEL
LAS VEGAS

"BUT WE ALL, WITH UNVEILED FACE, BEHOLDING AS IN A MIRROR THE GLORY OF THE LORD, ARE BEING TRANSFORMED INTO THE SAME IMAGE FROM GLORY TO GLORY, JUST AS BY THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD."

2 CORINTHIANS 3:18

- John had no new commandment to give to these people but an old one, one that was given to Him by Jesus, to love one another. Describe what love should look like among Christians. How can you encourage Christians to love one another like that?

"A NEW COMMANDMENT I GIVE TO YOU, THAT YOU LOVE ONE ANOTHER; AS I HAVE LOVED YOU, THAT YOU ALSO LOVE ONE ANOTHER. BY THIS ALL WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES, IF YOU HAVE LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER."

JOHN 13:34

- There are seasons of growth in a Christian's life. This is true because God is a God of process. He changes us from glory to glory, He is shaping us into the image of Jesus. Consider your own process of growth as a Christian. Briefly describe it and the current stage God has you in.



REACH 5 MIN.

Considering what God revealed to you this week, how can you apply what you've learned to grow in your pursuit of spiritual things.

Consider two specific areas you can grow in, pray, ask God to help you, and take real steps. Invite one other person to join you in this pursuit.

Next week we will be anxiously awaiting your praise report about how God used you to bring light into someone's life.

