

# LIFE NOW! grace.

MISSION HIGH SCHOOL | MAY 26/27

## Day 1

**Read)** Exodus 2:1-10. Baby Moses didn't do anything to earn the right to live. God is good. God's plans are good; and His plan included Moses. By God's grace, Moses was saved.

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Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-2

**Look)** Ask for the eyes to see where God is showing himself to you today.

**Journal)** God is good. God's plans are good. God had plans for your life. Which of these truths is easiest to believe, and which is most difficult? Why?

## Day 2

**Read)** Exodus 2:11-14. God's plan didn't involve the most righteous person among the Israelites... it involved a criminal. We wouldn't usually identify the criminal as the man God would use, but what does Ecclesiastes 7:20 say about all of us?

**Look)** Remind yourself that we are all equally 'un-righteous' - and use this realization to extend grace to the people in your life.

**Journal)** We are all equally unrighteous. That can feel freeing or upsetting. If you feel you're earning your salvation (and we all go through these times), it stings to realize that work didn't earn you anything. Instead, the fruit of your life is a product of the love, the relationship that you have with Jesus. How does this make you feel?

## Day 3

**Read)** Ephesians 2:1-10. The grace that you have received is free, is empowering, is able to change your life. There are so many wonderful truths in this section of scripture, read through it again and let them sink in.

**Look)** Extend grace to yourself. Forgive yourself. Try to see yourself the way that God sees you - alive, raised up, God's handiwork, saved.

**Journal)** What parts of Ephesians stood out to you? Why do you think that God wanted you to know those things today?

## Day 4

**Read)** Exodus 3:9-14. Living under God's grace can be scary, and often places us far outside of our comfort zone - but what an incredible gift! By calling us to step out and rely on Him in our weakness, God grows us and brings us closer to Him. This constant call, step, grow is the essence of our faith - a lifelong relationship that will take you places beyond your wildest imagination!

**Look)** Ask for the ability to see areas in your life where you need to lean on God.

**Journal)** Paul wrote about his weakness and God's response... Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10. and take some time to reflect on what Paul said.

## Day 5

**Read)** Matthew 17:1-3. Moses' story makes sense to us because we know the end. Spencer talked about how knowing the end of the story leads to a change in emotion, reaction, everything. *We know through the grace of God, the end of our stories are beautiful.* Living with this knowledge has the ability to change us.

**Look)** Live like you know the end of the story!

**Journal)** How does your life change when you live like this? Your community?

## Day 6

Find a quiet place to reflect on what we have covered this week - what you have learned about yourself and about God. Spend some time praying, thanking, adoring our merciful Heavenly Father.

Watching a recorded game but seeing the final score by accident, how it changes everything when we know the end. It changes how we watch the game, our reaction, our emotions, everything. We never worry when our team is down because we know at some point they are coming back, we know the final score. We never worry about Moses when we read about him crossing through the Red Sea, we've read the story we know how it ends, he makes it! We don't worry that Daniel won't be delivered from the lions den, we know how it ends. If we didn't know the end we would probably be freaking out, and certainly if we were witnessing it live we would be losing our minds... unless we knew the ending. These aren't just stories in a book, these are insights to the grace and faithfulness of God. -*Spencer Brannan*

# DISCUSSION

Below are some discussion questions. Spend some time talking over some of these things with your leaders, friends and family...

- God is good. God's plans are good. God had plans for your life. Which of these truths is easiest to believe, and which is most difficult? Why?
- Discuss Ecclesiastes 7:20 - and how it impacts your view of grace.
- How can living like you know the end of the story change your life?
- Was there a time this week that you really felt God moved in your life?
- Was there a time this week that you felt alone and wished He made himself known?

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We would also love to hear your story - what are you learning and how are you growing closer to God and your MISSION family? Let us know on Facebook or by emailing Ryan at [ryang@mission68.org](mailto:ryang@mission68.org)