

Introduction: This resource guide is designed for personal use and reflection as well as a tool to be used at the home sessions of our small group ministry. Use it as it best fits your personal pursuit and small group's pursuit of Intimacy with God!

Psalm 73:24-26 (Our memory verse for November) – If you have not been memorizing it yet, it is never too late!

²⁴ You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory. ²⁵ Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you. ²⁶ My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

From verse 24 - how did God guide Asaph and how does He guide us with his counsel?
(Compare to James 1:5; Proverbs 3:5-6 & Proverbs 16:3)

Jesus way of maybe restating the truth of verse 25 and its surrounding verses can be found in Mark 8:34-38. Look it up and think through the implications of what Jesus says. Write your thoughts down...

For personal reflection

1. What is your single passion in life?
2. Can you say you are fully surrendered to Christ today?
3. Now dig out the self-survey you filled out on our opening study night and reflect on your answers. Are there any changes because of our focus on seeking intimacy with God this fall? "What still needs to change?" Ask Him to change you. Share this with someone in your small group so they can pray for you.

[If you can't find the sheet or never filled one out here are the 3 self-survey questions: What is the reason you are alive today? What is the one thing that you believe you have to do if you do nothing else? How are you doing at it? Ponder these questions and ask yourself and God, "What needs to change?" Ask Him to change you. Share this with someone in your small group so they can pray for you.]

Fall 2009 COG Small Group Home Session from study #3

Extra...

From your reading of the book, "Intimacy with the Almighty" in the section on surrender (pp. 64-72) what was most significant and why?

How do surrender and trust go together? How do surrender and worship go together?

From the workbook by the same title in chapter 4 "Surrender: Intimacy Requires Letting Go". If you are using the book simply do the study. If not consider the following: How does surrender mean focusing on Christ?

Think about the areas we need to surrender: The study guide says, "Our possessions, our position, our plans and our people", does that get it? Any more p's? Just kidding, are there more areas; or more importantly how do we surrender in each of these areas?

A word of thanks from Pastor Ron and my team for your participation this fall – May God continue to bless you as you seek intimacy with Him. Please call me or email me with any questions or comments. I would love to hear from any or all of you. - Pastor Ron