WEEKEND RECAP DISCUSSION GUIDE

| CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERIES & TITLE | CHRISTMAS AT THE MOVIES - A CHRISTMAS CAROL |
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| -ݣໍ່- BIG IDEA | If you're still alive, it's not too late to let Christ change you for the better. |
| ICE BREAKER | What is your favorite Christmas movie and why? Does it have a meaningful message or theme? |
| MAIN POINTS | Scrooge represents someone with a hard, uncaring heart. Chains in the story represent the consequences of past choices. Scrooge feels deep regret when he sees his possible future. God specializes in heart transformations. |
| Discuss | Do you think people really can change from "bad" to "good"? Why or why not? Our lives are shaped by a series of moments and decisions connected together over time. How have you seen that in your own life or others' lives? What role can regret play in someone's life? Positive or negative? When have you had feelings of regret that motivated you to change? What are some examples in the Bible of dramatic life change? Have you experienced or witnessed God changing someone's heart and life? How did that happen? |
| CHALLENGE | Spend some quiet time asking God to search your heart (Psalm 139:23-24). Ask yourself: Is there any hardness, indifference, bitterness, or lack of compassion towards others that He wants to soften or transform? Who is one person I have struggled to love or forgive? Ask God to give you His heart of compassion for them. Are there any "chains" or consequences in my life right now from past choices or habits? Ask God for wisdom and help in addressing those. |
| SCRIPTURE | Mark 8:36 What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? 2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! |
| NEXT WEEK SNEAK PEAK | Join us next week for CHRISTMAS AT CENTRAL! Service times can be found at CentralAZ.com/Christmas |