

## Life Changing Prayer- Week Three small group guide

### Life-Changing Prayer: A Prayer of Availability

#### Opening Discussion:

1. How would you describe your current level of availability to God? What factors influence this?
2. Share a time when you felt God calling you to do something. How did you respond?

#### Key Takeaways:

1. Our perception of God greatly influences how we respond to His call.
2. Three biblical responses to God's call:
  - a. Jonah: "Here I am, I'm not going!"
  - b. Moses: "Here I am, send someone else."
  - c. Isaiah: "Here I am, send me!"
3. To fully surrender to God, we need:
  - a. A genuine experience with God's presence
  - b. Recognition of our unrighteousness and God's grace
  - c. Understanding of God's forgiveness and grace

#### Discussion Questions:

1. Which of the three biblical responses (Jonah, Moses, or Isaiah) do you relate to most? Why?
2. What fears or reservations do you have about making yourself fully available to God?
3. How has your experience of God's presence impacted your willingness to serve Him?
4. In what ways does recognizing our own sinfulness help us become more available to God?

5. How does understanding God's grace and forgiveness motivate us to surrender to Him?

#### Practical Applications:

1. Daily Prayer Challenge: Start each day this week with a prayer of availability, saying "Here I am, God. Send me."
2. Presence Seeking: Set aside time to intentionally seek God's presence through worship, prayer, or meditation on Scripture.
3. Grace Reflection: Write down specific ways you've experienced God's grace and forgiveness. Reflect on how this impacts your willingness to serve Him.
4. Availability Audit: Identify areas in your life where you might be resisting God's call. What steps can you take to become more available in these areas?

#### Closing Prayer:

Lead the group in a prayer of surrender and availability to God, asking Him to use each person for His purposes.

#### Scripture for Further Study:

- Ephesians 2:1-9
- Isaiah 6:1-8
- Jonah 1:1-3, 4:1-2
- Exodus 3:10-11
- James 4:8

Encourage group members to memorize and meditate on Isaiah 6:8 throughout the week: "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'"