

At The Movies, Week I

God's truth is everywhere, even in your favorite movies. This month, you'll gain real-life wisdom while watching some of your favorite films and feel uplifted and inspired.

Conversation Starter: Have some fun as you break the ice.

- Share your call sign with the group. Coming up short? Ask for some help from your friends!
- Do you typically prefer originals to sequels? Why or why not?

Key Scriptures: Let God's word frame the conversation. Take a minute to read this selected passage together as a Group.

• Philippians 1:6, 3:12-14, 4:6-7; Colossians 1:28

Discussion Questions: Pick a few questions below to guide your time.

Starting Sharing: Choose a question or two to create openness.

- Share when you felt stuck in a repeated habit or hurt that kept you from moving forward.
- What would be your "glory days" season as you reflect on your life?
- Who are some people who have helped you move past your past?

Start Thinking: Choose a question or two to think critically about the subject.

- What is the danger in staying grounded in past hurts or regrets? How have you personally experienced this?
- How are you tempted to define yourself by your faults and failures instead of your God-given identity?
- Why do things stop growing when we are stuck?

Make it Personal: Choose a question or two to help you identify your best next step.

- What is something you are currently anxious about? Take that to God this week and get specific.
- Is there anything you find yourself trying to control? What might this indicate in your life?
- God's has a unique work for you to step into. What is at stake if you stay stuck?

Next Steps: Everybody has a next step. Check out some ideas below to help you grow by doing.

- Seek God: God wants to hear from you. Get specific and tell God what you need.
- Seek Others: Surround yourself with people who care and want to see you move forward.
- Seek Restoration: If you have something to make right, get to work and ask for forgiveness.

Prayer: Invite God to do what only He can do!

Heavenly Father, thank promising to finish what you started in us. Please help us not get stuck in our failures but fully accept the grace you offer to keep us moving forward. Let's take advantage of your unique work, focusing on the present opportunities instead of our past regrets. Amen.