Series: Change

Message: Walking the Path February 8, 2015

What we cover, God uncovers. What we uncover, God covers.

Proverbs 28:13 "He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy."

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV) Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding: in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

Outlook- perspective. Proverbs 3:5, 14:12; Romans 12:2

Outline- Priorities/Persistence. Proverbs 3:6; Luke 9:62

Outcome- Purpose. Proverbs 3:6; Psalm 37:23-24; 1 Kings 11:1-4

Ask Yourself 3 Questions:

- Who am I trusting?
- What am I thinking?
- Where am I going?

Life Group Questions

For week of February 8, 2015

Welcome, to prepare for this week's meeting, take some time to focus on the questions below and be prepared to share your answers with the group. Have a great meeting as you come together to connect, encourage one another to grow and to see God change your lives from the inside out!

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Change is a process. What is something you have been working on?

Would you rather rearrange the refrigerator, sock drawer or junk draw? Why?

Going Deeper

Outlook, outline, outcome is the path to God's best found in **Proverbs 3:5-6**. What, in the passages, stands out to you the most?

What areas seem to be the hardest to trust God with and why?

What are signs that you are not trusting in the Lord with all your heart?

In the message, Jeff said, "self reliance equals self deception, which leads to self destruction." When we try to do everything ourselves our emotions can lead us astray. How can we keep our thinking focused on our trust in God?

Read I Chronicles 28:9

What are some pitfalls that keep us from being whole hearted?

Our heart is a reflection of our emotions. How can our emotions lead us astray?

Read 1 Kings 11:1-4. Why must we guard our heart (emotions) if we are to follow God's outline for our life?

Proverbs 3:6 says, "...in all your ways acknowledge him..." How would you summarize God's priorities for your life?

Read Psalms 119:105. How could God's principles and promises act as a light when you are making decisions?

Devotional Readings for Week of February 8. 2015

Day 1: Proverbs 3:5-6

Is there a breakdown between the outlook, outline and outcome of your life?

Day 2: Jeremiah 9:23-24

Do you boast about God? If not, what do you boast about and why is it so valuable to you?

Day 3: I Chronicles 28:9

God knows if we have whole hearted trust, or if we are just shouting we believe as long as we are not asked to demonstrate our faith. Ask God to empower whole-hearted trust in you.

Day 4: Acts 5:1-11

What are you thinking right now? "Stinking thinking" will lead to an emotional upheaval and lead to collisions in major decisions.

Day 5: Psalm 119:105

Think about a decision you need to make. Use Biblegateway.com or a concordance to help you find related verses. If that doesn't work, ask someone who has been reading the Bible longer to help you find verses related to your decision so scripture can be a light.

Best Year Ever Prayer

Lord Jesus,

I pray that you would work in me that I might reflect you more.

I pray that you work for me that I may be blessed by you.

I pray that you work through me that I may be an instrument of your love and grace.

I give you permission to work in me, for me and through me according to your purpose

Amen