LESSON 11 SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

SESSION OVERVIEW:

What does it mean to be a real man, a man of greatness? Popular culture doesn’t offer very many examples. Powerful business moguls, star athletes, and fashionable entertainers are held up as successful men to be imitated. After all, these guys are a big deal. Power, parties, fame, free-flowing cash, and the conquest of women are the ambitions many of these men represent. All this can look very attractive. These things play on our fundamental weaknesses as men. But God calls men to something more than being a big deal. He calls us to greatness. Being a man of greatness is something completely different. A big deal is a flash in the pan; greatness lasts. That is the subject of this study.

1. Imagine you have a sister, what are some of the things that she does that you would never think of doing?
2. What are some of the defining characteristics (not necessarily physical features) that make men and women different?

In a word, every man desires “greatness.” As Chris says, “Greatness isn’t simply success at the things you accomplish and the things you do, but its success at who you are.”

1. Can you think of an example or a story of a man you know who has made a positive impression on you? Why?
2. What is the distinction between someone who is a big deal and someone who is a great man? Explain.
3. What are some qualities of people who are great? Why did you choose those qualities?
4. What is the distinction between being a man of greatness and doing great things?
5. Eighty-five percent of youths sitting in prisons come from fatherless homes. Why do you think fathers have such a powerful influence, either positively or negatively, on their children’s behavior?
6. What can you do right now in your life to prepare you to be a strong father?
7. What 4 marks or characteristics do you think make a man truly great?