

## Fellowship Group Homework & Discussion

### Getting Started

1. Have you ever seen anybody who accepted Christ who you thought would never come to that point?
2. What impacted you the most from last Sunday's sermon?

### Going Deeper

#### "Even Me"

3. Read 2 Corinthians 2:14-17.
  - ⇒ According to this passage, we spread the fragrance of God everywhere we go. What does the fragrance of the knowledge of God smell like?
  - ⇒ To whom does your fragrance naturally go?
  - ⇒ What group of Christians normally smell your fragrance? In their normal interactions with you, do they smell you or do they smell God?
  - ⇒ What non-Christians normally smell your fragrance? In their normal interactions with you, do they smell you or do they smell God?

#### "Even To This"

4. Read Luke 23:39-43. If you had been there on that day, would this be a surprise conversion to you? Before this moment, would you have considered it unlikely that this person would accept Christ? Why?
5. What is going on that makes it appear that some people are never going to accept Christ? Is there a battle that this person might not even know about?
  - ⇒ 1 Corinthians 2:14-16

⇒ 2 Corinthians 4:4

6. Given the reality stated in these verses, how should you pray for non-Christians on your Oikos list?

#### "Even In This"

7. Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-12
  - ⇒ What are the hardships Paul is facing? What is his "even in this" situation?
  - ⇒ What is his attitude in this situation?
  - ⇒ How is this an "other-centered" (vs. "me-centered" passage)?
  - ⇒ Do you know anybody who through their personal pain used it to bring people from death to life?
8. Read Ephesians 6:19-20.
  - ⇒ If you were writing this verse for yourself, what would you replace with the words "in chains"?
  - ⇒ What is Paul's prayer for his behavior while in chains?
  - ⇒ Can we learn from Paul's experience? How?
9. Have you ever had the experience of using your pain to bring life to others? Share your story.

10. A key purpose of our Fellowship Groups is to provide accountability.

To help with that, discuss the following questions:

- Have you been making it a regular priority to attend a Sunday morning worship service?
- Have you been faithful in making Fellowship Group attendance a top priority?
- Are you praying regularly for the members of your Fellowship Group?
- Are you caring for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of those in your Fellowship Group?
- Are you taking steps to become more transparent with your Fellowship Group?
- Are you serving regularly in one area of ministry, preferably in your area of giftedness?
- Are you maintaining your Oikos list?
- Are you praying regularly for your Oikos list?
- What have you done this last week to reveal God to at least one member of your Oikos?



## Passionate Partnership

### Part 2 — Oikos Revisited

Philippians 4:21-23

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#### Advanced Evangelism

#### Evangelism for the Rest of Us

##### 1. “Even Me”

##### 2. “Even to This”

##### 3. “Even in This”