Weekend Recap - Discussion Guide

Selah: A Series on Wisdom, Gratitude and Worship Week 2: November 17-20

Title: Peace and Contentment in Troubled Times

Big Idea: If you want to experience peace and contentment in your life you must apply God's wisdom in your finances.

Optional Ice Breaker: What was your last big purchase? Did you regret it? Why or why not?

Discuss:

- 1. How have you felt the effects of inflation?
- 2. Are you keeping score in your finances? What will it take for you to start? If you are keeping score, how has this impacted your peace with finances?
- 3. What stood out to you most from the message?
- 4. What are some activities that you or your family enjoy that you'd put in the "High Enjoyment/Low Cost" category?
- 5. What are some activities that you or your family enjoy that you'd put in the "High Enjoyment/High Cost" category?
- 6. What is the next step for you to have peace and contentment financially?

For Students: Is there a habit that you can start now to set yourself up for success financially in the future?

Challenge: Dave shared 6 strategies to filter our financial decisions through: 1) Keep score 2) Commit to living a high value lifestyle 3) Commit to making logical decisions not emotional decisions 4) Build a safety net 5) Commit to allow God's word to change your thinking and your financial decisions 6) Live Generously. Choose one to implement into your life.

Scriptures:

- Proverbs 27:23-24 Be sure you know the condition of your flocks, give careful attention to your herds; for riches do not endure forever.
- Proverbs 17:1 Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting, with strife.
- Proverbs 11:24-25 One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.
- Proverbs 3:1-2 says My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commandments in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring peace and prosperity.

Prayer: Ask God to give you wisdom with finances.

Next Week-Sneak Peek: Don't forget this Wednesday on all of our campuses are Thanksgiving Eve Services. Hope you join us! Next Weekend we'll be looking at what the Psalms say about worship!