# Grace Group Discipleship Guide



#### "Faithful"

For the week of August 6 - 12, 2017

## **Main Thought:**

We often draw closest to God and uncover our strongest faith in the face of adversity, chaos, or crisis. If we resolve to stay close to God and choose faith over fear, we will find out how faithful He really is. It is when things seem out of control that we discover how much God is in control, particularly as we mobilize the unique "measure" of faith He has given us.

### **Main Passages:**

"When he had entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, appealing to him, 6'Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, suffering terribly.' And he said to him, I will come and heal him.' But the centurion replied, Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I too am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. And I say to one, "Go," and he goes, and to another, "Come," and he comes, and to my servant, "Do this," and he does it.' When Jesus heard this, he marveled and said to those who followed him, Truly, I tell you, with no one in Israel have I found such faith. It tell you, many will come from east and west and recline at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' And to the centurion Jesus said, Go; let it be done for you as you have believed.' And the servant was healed at that very moment." (Matthew 8:5-13 ESV)

"For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned." (Romans 12:3 ESV)

"And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him." (Hebrews 11:6 ESV)

#### **Reflection:**

 What especially stands out to you from the main thought and Bible passages?

# **Application:**

- When have you seen God work faithfully on your behalf in the face of adversity, chaos, or crisis? What happened, what did you learn, and how has it helped you to help others?
- Where do you need to choose faith over fear right now? As a group take time to pray in unity over that.
- What practical application can you take away the most from today's discussion?

### **Group Prayer:**

- Pray for the truths from today's discussion to gain traction in everyone.
- Pray for a specific friend or loved one to find a living faith that brings them to know Jesus Christ. Pray that God would use you to reach them personally.

### **Communications:**

 The Global Leadership Summit is on Thursday, August 10, and Friday, August 11, from 8:30am-4:30pm at the Worship Center of our Main Campus. This event is designed to equip everyone to grow in their personal leadership. Cost is \$119 with the promo code PHS17Team.
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