

## Deeper

### The Chase: Spiritual Discontentment

#### Welcome (You to Me, Me to You)

What global issues make you long to see the Lord move in power? In other words, what global issues make you feel sad or troubled (discontent) and you long to see true and lasting change?



#### Worship (Us to God)

If you have access to a computer, play the song “Do it Lord” by Tommy Walker. Play this song loud and worship God. Allow this song to minister to your heart. Praise the Lord for the things only He can do: in your life, in the lives of those you care about, and all over the world.

\*Life group leader, if you have a chance, print the lyrics to this song before group time and pass them out to your members.

#### Word (God to Us)

1. Read Hebrews 8:1 – 13 aloud. In this chapter we see **holy discontent** on the part of God. The old covenant, which was declared “perfect”, was replaced by a new covenant through Jesus. Looking at this passage, what is “better” about the New Covenant?

2. How does the new covenant improve God’s relationship to man and man’s relationship to God?

3. Why did God go to such great lengths in sending Jesus to establish a new covenant or a new kind of relationship with His people? (See 2 Corinthians 3:6 and John 3:16)

4. Read Proverbs 29:7. What does this verse show us about God’s heart for the poor and His will for our lives?

5. Psalm 45:7 gives a precious promise: If we love righteousness and hate wickedness we will be anointed with the oil of joy! (That sounds a lot like contentment to me!) How might we know what God

considers righteous and wicked? How might we throw our energies and passions into things that move the heart of God?

6. 2 Corinthians 5:17 -21 is a passage perfectly describing the kind of spiritual discontentment God wants for us all. Read it aloud now and discuss what God wants YOU to do because of what you’ve just read.

In your life situation right now, what does it look like to be Christ’s ambassador? (Be specific)

#### Response (Us to the World)

Take out a piece of paper and make two lists. The first list is called a Strategic Outreach List. This is a list of names of people we are closely connected to (who live locally) and do not yet know the good news of Jesus. Each person in the group should put no more than three people on the list. Then, as a group discuss how together, we might love these precious people into the family of God. Could we invite them to a Life group gathering? A football game or other sporting event? A concert? An event at RLCC? How can this group work together like a net to wrap these people up in God’s love and invite them into a relationship with their Father? The key here is faithful consistent prayer for the people on the list and for opportunities to share! Be sure to keep this list out and visible at every Life group meeting this year as a reminder to check-in with one another and to pray!

Then, discuss which local or global ministry of RLCC this group could get behind! Could this group “adopt” a ministry of the church in some way? How can our living and our giving reflect a heart stirred up for the things that stir God’s heart? Spend some time strategizing and dreaming about how God could use this group over time to make big impact for His name’s sake! After all, He was so discontent over our “lostness” that He conquered death, hell, and the grave to win us back to Himself.

