

Getting to know you: Do you like board games and if so, what is your favorite?

Quick Review: Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that caught your attention or challenged you?

Sunday, September 24th
LifeGroup Discussion Guide
Did God Really Say: Deception

MY STORY:

- 1. Have you ever been deceived if so share if you are comfortable.
- 2. In what ways do you find the enemy deceiving you currently?
- 3. Have you ever asked yourself the question what will make me happy? Pastor Eli stated: If the enemy can get us to doubt God and instead trust ourselves as a guide to happiness, he has us? Do you ever find yourself doubting God and instead trusting opinions of others or yourself?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. The enemy wants you to over-estimate your ability to resist him. What does this look like? Do you feel like you over-estimate your ability to resist the enemy?

- 2. Read Jeremiah 17:9 what does it mean? How can you apply this to your life?
- 3. Read Ecclesiastes 6:6 what does it mean? How can you apply this to your life?
- 4. How, would you say, do we become more like Jesus and less like the devil?
- 5. Henri Nouwen said: "Solitude is not a private therapeutic place." Rather, "solitude is the furnace of transformation. Without solitude we remain victims of our society and continue to be entangled in the illusions of the false self. Do you practice solitude? What has your experience been?
- 6. Has there ever been a time in your life that you made an excuse for a sin? Are you making excuses for sins in your life now?

TAKING IT HOME

1. Sin sabotages our capacity for happiness by appealing to our God-given desire for happiness via deceptive ideas. Is their sin in your life that you need to give over to God? Would you work on that this week?

PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER!

Leaders, don't forget to take attendance!