



Breadcrumbs...
finding your way back

CURRENT POINT SERIES
#BREADCRUMBS **MC³**



Discussion
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"FINDING FREEDOM"

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THE POINT:

CONFESSION IS THE WAY BACK TO FREEDOM

Discussion Generators

Don't forget to make announcements to your group!

- ➔ Remember that we've added "God Moments" to Pr'me Groups each week. Simply put, God Moments are how you have seen God working over the past week, either in your life, or in the life of another. Thinking back through this past December, what God Moments have you seen?
- This coming week, be looking for how you have seen God working, to share next time!
- What has stood out to you so far from the *Breadcrumbs* Point series?
- In the Point this week, we heard about behind-the-scenes of phone calls [explain, if necessary]. Can you recall being a part of a phone call that wasn't what it seemed—either on your end or the other end of the call?
- Why do you think we feel pressure to "fake it" on the phone? Why do you think we feel pressure to "fake it" in life?
- ➔ Read James 5:16-20 . Reviewing the Point...what does James see as the answer to overcoming sin? [confession] In your own words, how does this keep us from "faking it" and staying trapped in our sin?

- As a group come up with what you know about Elijah (see 1 & 2 Kings). Why does the fact that he was a human, just like us, show the importance of prayer *in our lives*?
- ➔ In the Point, we learned the importance of getting a [good] group. In your mind what makes a [good] group? How does 2 Timothy 4:3-4 affect your opinion?
- ➔ Read 1 John 1:8-10. Another important part of a [good] group is a willingness to admit sin, why do we have such a hard time doing this? Do you have a group where you can confess your sin?
- ➔ Do you have a group who is willing to fight for you? Read Galatians 6:1-2. What does fighting for each other look like?
- Sometimes fighting for each other seems almost arrogant or judgmental. According to Ephesians 4:25, why is this NOT the case... ...when it is done with the right attitude?
- Going back to the main passage, why do you think James makes such a big deal about "bringing someone back" in James 6:19-20?
- ➔ Confession is the way back to freedom—this all comes through having the right people around you. [*Leaders: draw this chart somewhere*]
One at a time, mark where are you on the spectrum of confession:
 <—*getting a group*— — —*admitting your sin*— — —*fighting together*—>
Once everyone has shared, write these down and take some time at least twice this week to pray for each person in your group.

Bible Verses

James 5:16-20 (NIV)

16Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. 17Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. 18Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops. 19My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, 20remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

2 Timothy 4:3-4 (NLT)

3For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. 4They will reject the truth and chase after myths.

1 John 1:8-10 (NLT)

8If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth.... 10If we claim we have not sinned, we are calling God a liar and showing that his word has no place in our hearts.

Galatians 6:1-2 (NLT)

1Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself. 2Share each other's burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ

Ephesians 4:25 (NIV)

25Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body.