

You Don't Know Jack Series- You

Week of 4/6/2014

The Point: You Don't Know What God Wants to Do Through You Esther 4:14b

Discussion Generators

•**Read Esther 4:14b**. What stood out to you from this week's Point? (they can be funny, serious, stupid, or spiritual)

•Read Exodus 3:11-12. Many of us feel just like Moses did. Does anyone have a theory as to why Moses felt that way? Theoretically, what would or wouldn't have happened if Moses wouldn't have obeyed God?

• What do you think drives many of us to think that we are insignificant, unworthy, or too broken to be used by God?

•There are some who believe that Satan wants us to believe these things about ourselves. Do you think he does? Why or why not?

•How would you finish this statement, "God could do more significant things through my life if..."?

•Whether driven by fear, insecurity, being too busy, or laziness we often find excuses for not following God and being used by Him. **Read I Corinthians 1:26-31.** What do you think Paul is saying here to the church in Corinth? Why do you think that messed up individuals are often more easily used by God?

•God has used many, many, many messed up individuals over the course of history. As a group, build a list by sharing as many different individuals that you can think of that were messed up in some way but still used by God. They can be from the Bible or post-biblical history. When you share a person, explain how they were messed up. Just for the fun of it, share your list on MC3's Facebook page this week.

Relationship Building

To help get to know one another better, try playing "Two Truths and a Lie." To play have each person make three statements about themselves: two true statements and one lie. For example, "I've never broken a bone. I have five sisters. I was born in Yugoslavia." The group tries to guess which statement is the lie. Go as many rounds as you like. Have fun!

Bible Verses

Esther 4:14b (NIV)

Who knows if perhaps you were made queen for just such a time as this?"

Exodus 3:11-12 (NIV)

But Moses protested to God, "Who am I to appear before Pharaoh? Who am I to lead the people of Israel out of Egypt?" God answered, "I will be with you. And this is your sign that I am the one who has sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God at this very mountain."

I Corinthians 1:26-31 (NLT)

Remember, dear brothers and sisters, that few of you were wise in the world's eyes or powerful or wealthy when God called you. Instead, God chose things the world considers foolish in order to shame those who think they are wise. And he chose things that are powerless to shame those who are powerful. God chose things despised by the world, things counted as nothing at all, and used them to bring to nothing what the world considers important. As a result, no one can ever boast in the presence of God. God has united you with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; he made us pure and holy, and he freed us from sin. Therefore, as the Scriptures say, "If you want to boast, boast only about the Lord."