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Discussion Gu'de

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Our Sense of Touch Can Deceive If We Don't Seek God

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but WE change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- Share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week?
- Last week, we read Mark 4:37-41. How has this passage affected your life this week?

The Reminder (required) Read this section briefly to review the Point for everyone

• This Week's Point:

Our Sense of Touch Can Deceive If We Don't Seek God

• This Week's Object Lesson:

The Fugitive movie 'scene: the doctor misses a major diagnosis by only "touching" the boy's chest and not looking at the x-ray

- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: Genesis 27:21-35
 So Jacob went closer to his father, and Isaac touched him. "The voice is Jacob's, but the hands are Esau's," Isaac said. But he did not recognize Jacob, because Jacob's hands felt hairy just like Esau's. So Isaac prepared to bless Jacob. (Genesis 27:22-23, NLT)
 - As a group, retell this week's passage with an alternate ending in which Isaac seeks God first. (Notice how much shorter the story is!)











The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, and more personal, into applying the Point

- When did you touch something that wasn't what you thought?
- Briefly share a time when you made a decision based on feelings, rather than seeking God.

Sean shared four areas of our lives where we should seek God first:

- For What We Need. Read Matthew 6:31-34. Briefly share a time when God met one of your needs. After seeing Him provide for us, why do we continue to doubt Him when subsequent needs arise? What is a need that you have right now that you are struggling to trust God with?
- For Where We Go: Read Proverbs 3:5-6. Share a time when you let God lead you. What is the benefit of seeking God's direction? What is the danger in not seeking God's direction?
- For When Things Arise: Read Nehemiah 2:1-5a. Share a time when you've had to pray a shotgun (quick) prayer. Is it hard to think of prayer in this way? How does Nehemiah's example change your view of prayer?
- For How to Live!: Read James 1:5-8. How would you define wisdom? Discuss a situation in your life that required you to seek wisdom from God? Going forward, what area of your life do you need to stop managing on your own and commit to God?
- MEDITATION! Read Matthew 6:31-34 OR Proverbs 3:5-6 throughout the week--you pick! Come prepared next time to share how one of these verses affected your life this week.
- Leaders, please include this in your prayer time: "Father, thank you that you provide exactly what we need when we need it. Help us to continue to trust in your faithfulness and not waste time worrying. Thank you that you care about where we go. May we seek you for direction, and give us the strength to choose the righteous path every time. Thank you that you hear even the shortest prayer, and you are faithful to answer. And please give us wisdom as we navigate life. Let us consistently make choices that glorify you! Amen."

