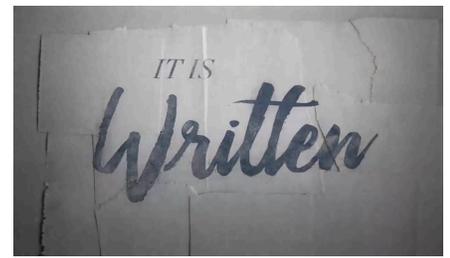


It Is Written

Shortchanged



Ice Breaker Questions

- What song lyrics or Disney movie best captures your week? Why?

Key Questions

- What's one idea from Sunday's message that really stood out to you? Why did this grab your attention?
- Ps David shared about his struggle to forgive his father and move beyond the feeling of being "shortchanged". Unforgiveness created chains of pain. But through forgiveness God began to change the situation. How have you been shortchanged in life? What you say you are currently experiencing chains or change from that situation?
- During the "It Is Written" series we are participating in a 40-Day devotional challenge. How has God used his word to encourage you to forgive?

Optional Questions – *If needed, include one or more of these scriptures and questions to extend your conversation.*

- Romans 5:3-6 (MSG) says, *"There's more to come: We continue to shout our praise even when we're hemmed in with troubles, because we know how troubles can develop passionate patience in us, and how that patience in turn forges the tempered steel of virtue, keeping us alert for whatever God will do next. In alert expectancy such as this, we're never left feeling shortchanged..."*
How have you experienced the truth of these verses in your life?
- Read Matthew 7:24-27 aloud. This parable illustrates that tough times come for the righteous and unrighteous alike. In your own words, what does it look like to build a life on the rock? What is a life built on sand?
- Forgiveness can be incredibly difficult to release. Why should someone forgive others? What advice would you give to someone who is struggle with unforgiveness?
- Ps David shared about the importance of journaling and setting time aside to be with God. How would you describe your current devotional life? Are you quick to bring painful situations to God? Why or why not?

Next Steps

- Announcement: *Announce the time & location of your next City Group.*
- Announcement: *Announce the time & location of Sunday's Worship Experience.*