**“Better Than Rubies – Pt 4”**

**June - 22/23, 2024**

**Speaker: Tom Hughes**

**Opening:** [15 mins] We suggest you begin with an opening prayer and then a brief “catch up” or “icebreaker” before moving into the *scripture reflection* and *application questions*.

**Scripture Reflection:** [20 mins]Read **1 Peter 5:1-4.** After allowing the group time to reflect on the passage, ask them to share what most stands out to them.

**Application Questions:** [40 mins](*These questions will help you and your group dig deeper into the weekend sermon. Feel free to edit or use only those which fit your allotted time.)*

1. Ask participants - do you consider yourself a leader? Why or why not?
   1. What are some of the areas you currently lead?
   2. What would you say is the flock that God has entrusted to you?
   3. Is there an area of your life where you have not had the right focus and God might be calling you to sharpen?
2. Tom challenged us to lead with the right attitude.
   1. Was there a time in your life where you changed your attitude about something and it led to greater fruitfulness?
   2. Is there an area where you felt convicted about your current attitude?
      1. How can you adjust your attitude towards this assignment?
   3. Tom encouraged us to think about saying “I get to…” instead of “I have to…” - is this something you are willing to try?
      1. What do you hope the result of this challenge might lead to?
3. Tom’s third point was that we ought to lead for the right reasons.
   1. Have you ever been around someone that wasn’t leading out of selfless reasons? How did it feel to be around that leader?
   2. How can you remind yourself to lead not for what you can get out of someone but rather for what you can invest into them?
      1. What are some practical ways to let those you serve know you value them and are actively invested in them?
4. Finally, we learned that leaders ought to lead for the right rewards.
   1. What sort of rewards do you think the Bible is talking about here?
   2. How does leading with this perspective change the way you interact with people?

**Closing & Prayer**: [15 mins]

* Have each person in your group share a prayer request, asking the lord for wisdom and then have someone pray.
* Pray for Holy Spirit fruitfulness in the people of CA.