**“God of Mondays: Learning to Love Mondays” (Part 3 of 5)**

**March 22/23, 2025**

**Speaker: Matt Price**

**Opening:** [15 mins] Begin with an opening prayer and then a brief “catch up” or “icebreaker” before moving into the *scripture reflection* and *application questions*. (Suggested icebreaker: Share something good that happened at work/home in the past week.)

**Scripture Reflection:** [20 mins]

**Matthew 6:33 (NLT) – “Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.”**

**1 Peter 2:11-12 (NLT) - “Dear friends, I warn you as "temporary residents and foreigners" to keep away from worldly desires that wage war against your very souls. 12 Be careful to live properly among your unbelieving neighbors. Then even if they accuse you of doing wrong, they will see your honorable behavior, and they will give honor to God when he judges the world.”**

**Mark 8:36 (NLT), “And what do you profit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul?”**

Allow the group time to reflect on the passages. Ask the group to share what most stands out to them and why.

**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. How do you approach the following (discuss one-by-one versus a singular topic):
   1. Difficult decisions.
   2. Difficult people.
   3. Difficult outcomes.
2. How does having a “kingdom” perspective help you deal with difficult decisions, difficult people, and difficult outcomes?
3. How does having a “kingdom” perspective help you to be happy at work even though you work with difficult people and do not know if you will be rewarded for your hard work?
4. In 1 Peter 2:11-12, we are taught that as Christ followers we are sojourners and exiles. How does this affect how you view money and material possessions? Do you hold tightly to these things or with an open hand?
5. In Ecclesiastes 5:15-20, God wants us to enjoy the fruit of our labor. How do you enjoy the fruit of your labor? What do you look forward to this Spring and Summer? Any travel plans? How do spend your time with your loved ones?

**Closing & Prayer**: [15 mins] Pray for group members that are facing challenges at work. Is/Are there any co-worker(s) that you know that need(s) prayers?