LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE "FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS"

Ester 4:11-14

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In today's message Pastor Miles taught about Kairos Time.

In Greek two words used for 'time' are Chronos and Kairos.

Chronos is the root where we get our English word Chronological. *Chronos* time is the way we typically think of time, time that is linear...

- Work starts at AM.
- I'll be home in ____ minutes.
- There are only ____ days until the weekend.

We can measure *Chronos* time – seconds, minutes, hours, and years.

We have clocks, alarms and calendars to help us keep track of *Chronos* time.

But Kairos time, Kairos time is different.

Kairos can mean an appointed time, an opportune moment, or a due season.

Kairos times happen every single day however typically we are so locked into our *Chronos* time and *Chronos* schedules that we miss the *Kairos Moments* happening all around us.

As Pastor Miles taught on Sunday we want to be people that are caught up in *Kairos Moments*. We want to be spiritually aware and obediently responsive to such moments that our Father, God presents – opportunities to participate in the Kingdom of Heaven and opportunities to encourage His people.

So, open yourself to be used by God and Live and walk in the (Kairos) moments!

MEMORY **V**ERSE

Meditate on Romans 12:2

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the reviewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

DISCUSSION STARTERS

- 1. Describe a time in your life where you took a risk in your faith. What was the outcome?
- 2. After taking the risk was the outcome as bad as you made up in your mind?
- 3. How do you feel after you realize that God used you to help someone else?



STUDY QUESTIONS

READ: Acts 9:10-22

- 1. What do you think is a vision? What are some other ways God gets our attention?
- 2. What was Ananias first response to God's call? How would you gauge your level of quick responsiveness and 'Yes' to God?
- 3. How would you respond if the Lord told you in advance that the person you are assigned to help was "praying for help". Would it make a difference?
- 4. Describe a time when you felt you were being called to do something that involved someone you did not like, someone that hurt you, or someone with a bad reputations. What was your reaction/response? What did you do? How did it turn out?
- 5. How does v15-16 speak to you about God's heart? What does it speak to you about the Kingdom of God, His Grace and Judgment?
- 6. In v 17-22, what was the impact of Ananias' obedience and who all benefited?

PUT IT INTO PRACTICE

- 1. What are some activities, things or people that may be hindering you from living in Kairos time?
- 2. Discuss ways you can make yourself more available this week to hear the still, small voice of the Lord.

TAKE IT HOME!

- 1. Take this week to let go of at least one thing that may be a time waster (ie: idle phone use, TV, internet, etc).
- 2. Pray and ask the Lord how you can be part of redeeming the time; to be more aware of moments that He wants to use you to be ready and available like Ananias.

This week think of a phrase that you can text each other as a subtle reminder of the Kairos Moments God is inviting you to live in.

