

“David-Developing a Heart for God”
Study Guide Week 1
10/3/2018



Icebreaker:

What was most enjoyable and challenging about your summer?

Announcements:

Please make sure you sign up for CCB so you can stay in touch with one another, share prayer requests, and organize a snack schedule.

Read through the Guidelines for Healthy Groups

Prayer Time:

Study Questions:

What are some of the ways you see our culture focus on physical appearance and beauty? How can this be a good thing? What are the serious drawbacks of seeing only the externals?

Read 1 Samuel 16:1-13. What stand out to you from these verses? What were Jesse and Samuel focused on when they were looking for Israel's next king? Why is verse 7 important? How does God's focus on internal things- our heart and spiritual condition- critique our culture? How does this impact the time and value we place on our looks and appearance?

What do the following verses say about David's focus- his number one passion- Psalm 9:1; Psalm 86:8-11.

Read Psalm 1. What- according to these verses- brings blessing and good outcomes into our lives? What can cause us to have a wayward heart? What can cause us to have a divided heart?

What are some of things that can keep us from investing time and energy into our spiritual growth? Why are we so tempted to embrace other people's values and give into the pressure to conform?

According to the following verses what can keep us from developing a passionate heart for God? Why is it important to major on the most important things in God's eyes and not on temporal things- 1 Timothy 4:8; 1 Timothy 6:6; 1 Peter 4:1-5; Philippians 1:27-28.

Conversational Prayer: Dear God help me...