

behalf of others help us grow in faith as well? What parts of your past are a reminder and testimony of God's grace in your life? What is your "bed"?

The crowd and Pharisees were in awe of Jesus's works, not Him. They were interested in what He could do, not who He was. What are some things connected to God, but not God, that Christians sometimes worship or glorify instead? Why is it easy to mistake glorifying the things of God for glorifying God himself? How do you know when you are glorifying God, rather than what you get from God? Be specific.

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

What evidence can you point to in your life to show you are following Jesus as a friend? (Think about your focus, your faith, and your worship.)



FRIEND OR PHARISEE

March 10, 2024

Luke 5:17-26

AM I _____ JESUS AS A FRIEND OR A PHARISEE?

I. Prioritize _____ over self. — v. 17-19a

What am I doing to _____ get to Jesus?

II. Walk in _____ not doubt. — v. 19b-24

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SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. STUDY THE WORD

Read Luke 5:17-26. How does Jesus deal differently with the Pharisees and the paralytic and his friends? Why does He do this and what does it teach us about Jesus?

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What were the motivations of the Pharisees? The Crowd? The Friends? Why do motivations matter when it comes to following Jesus? Read Philippians 2:3-4. In what ways is your faith looking out for yourself more than others? How is your faith helping others get to Jesus?

The friends showed persevering, risky, intercessory faith in getting their friend to Jesus. Whose faith helped you get to Jesus over the years and how? How does having faith on



What am I doing to _____ in my faith?

III. Glorify God rather than the _____ of God. – v. 25-26

Who or what am I _____ with my worship?

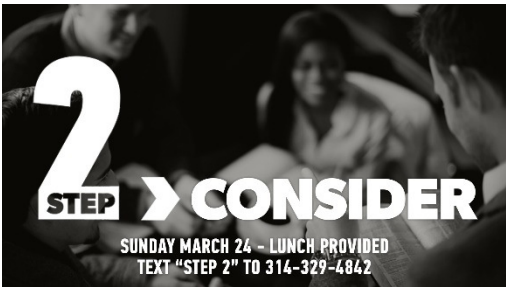
Stewardship Report:

Last Week: \$20,258

This Month: \$17,759

Last Month: \$45,645

Monthly Budget: \$43,811



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