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lesson 8— james, simon, & judas (not bad)

I. Leaving a Legacy

*take Quiz 1 (remembering worldly accomplishments of past 5 years)

*take Quiz 2 (remembering accomplishments that matter)

A. James “the less”, Simon “the zealot”, and Judas (not Iscariot) were known for 1 thing:

*they FOLLOWED CHRIST to the end (were martyred)

B. They gave up EVERYTHING for something bigger...Jesus (**Luke 18:28-30**)

C. They wanted the WORLD to know Christ (**John 14:22**)

-they helped start the Christian church over 2,000 years ago

II. Great Things that Last Forever

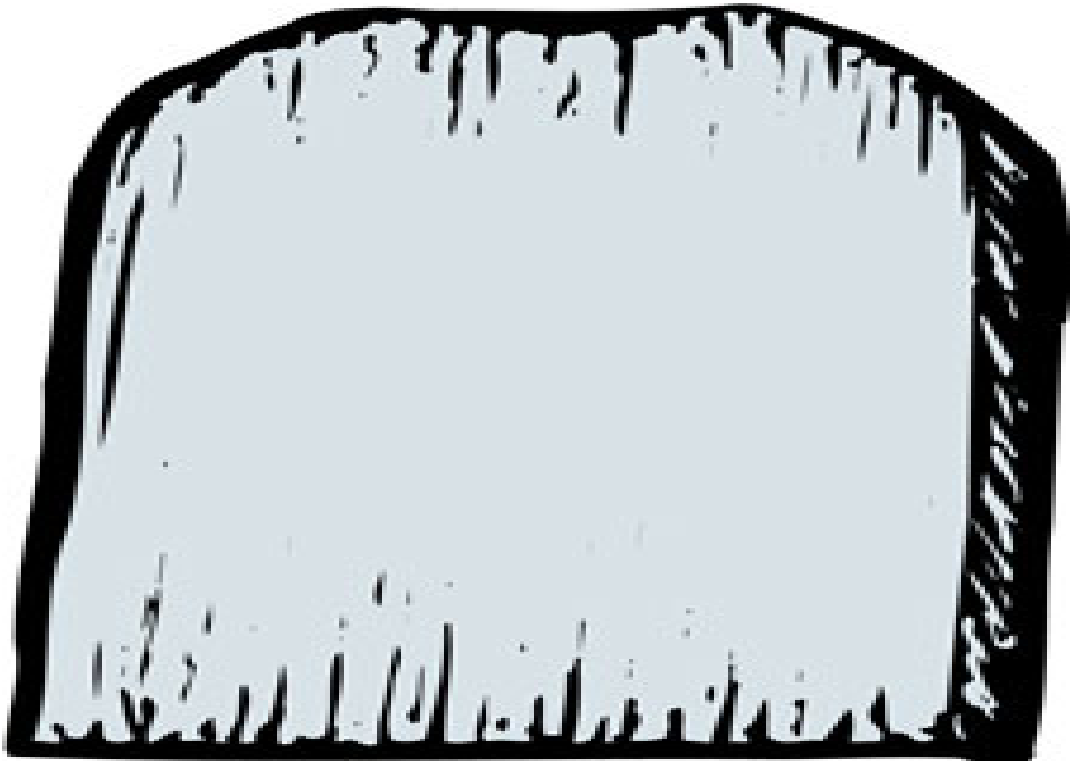
A. Your SALVATION

B. LIVES you have changed

C. Your TESTIMONY of how God has USED you and BLESSED you

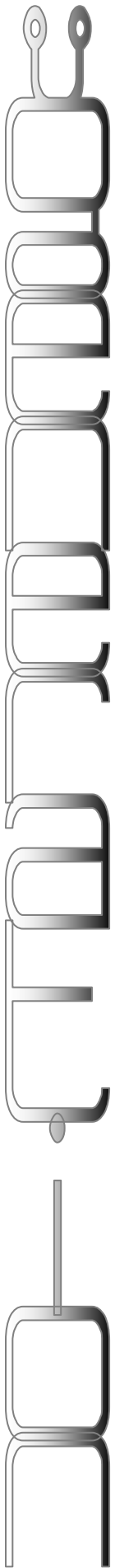
D. Memories of when you went against the “flow” and chose to be DIFFERENT

Ask Yourself: How will you be forever remembered? What will be etched into eternity?



Verse for the Week: **Luke 18:29-30**

Take it Home: **Philippians 3**



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small group discussion

Talk About It: What does the world say that makes a person great?
-athletic, smart, lucky, good looks, famous, etc.

Discuss: When we look at the 12 Disciples, none of them were what we would call “great”.
-just ordinary people (tax collectors, fishermen, etc.)

Talk About It: So...what made the Disciples so great?

Discuss: Every person has to make a choice as to if they want to be great in the eyes of God or people.

Following God: Eternal; Blessings; Joy

Following People: Temporary; Judgment; Disappointment

Ask Yourself: Are you more focused on the temporary things of this world, or on following a God who seeks to bless your life?

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*Have teens write on the tombstone what they want to be remembered for.