

APRIL 23 & 24



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## INTRODUCTION

This weekend, we stop and celebrate what God is doing at Prairie Lakes Church! Pastor Gabe shared the common themes of crisis, time and relationships which he discovered while listening to the stories of what God has been doing in the lives of those around us. This is the time to celebrate changed lives because we are all in this together.

## DISCUSSION

1. **Read Romans 6:4.** In this verse, we see the powerful symbol of baptism. Have you celebrated that new life in Christ? What was it like? Share with your group.
2. **Read 1 Timothy 4:15-16.** In these verses, we see Paul coaching Timothy on how to live and do ministry. God worked through his relationship with Paul over a period of time. How much time do we find ourselves investing in someone we have a relationship with? Should we be investing more time? How would that look? Share with the group one person who has impacted you through their investment of time and faith in you.
3. A crisis tends to either send us running to or away from God, oftentimes both. Share a time you were in a crisis. Did your relationship with God affect how you handled the crisis? How so?

## THINK ABOUT IT

Pastor Gabe reminded us of the importance of stepping over the Faith Line. When we do, we admit we are sinners, believe Jesus died on the cross and are saved through His resurrection. He also reminded us of the importance of being baptized because it's the outward sign of an inward change. It symbolizes the renewal which comes through the resurrection. Once we have stepped over the Faith Line, our role becomes to live for God, know Him better and be obedient to the life He calls us to. It is a fresh start.

## DO SOMETHING

**Read Galatians 5:1-15.** Paul tells us through love we should be servants of one another and love our neighbor as ourselves. Ask yourself the following questions:

- How am I pouring myself into the lives of others? Who has poured themselves into my life? Have I thanked them?
- What am I doing that I could teach, equip and empower others to learn how to do?
- What am I doing that I could invite someone else to come along and do with me?