

# HINDSIGHT IS 2020

Week 1  
Small Group Discussion Guide

2021 is about choices: "It's my way or the highway."  
How has the choice to follow Jesus impacted your life? Share specific examples.

*A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Isaiah 40:3*

Our story brings curiosity. God's story brings change.

*There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light but came to bear witness about the light. John 1:6-8*

We have extraordinary influence. Who has influenced your walk with the LORD? Who needs you to share Jesus with them (influence them) in the weeks ahead? How are you going to share Him with them?

*The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! John 1:29*

We need to be focused but not finished. What challenges you to stay focused on following Jesus and remaining in fellowship with Him throughout the day? What practical thing could help you stay focused on Him?

*In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Matthew 3:1-2*

The baptism Jesus offers is life changing. How would you explain the difference between an infant baptism versus a personal choice of being baptized? How would you explain to someone the reason a person would decide to be baptized? If you took the step of baptism, talk about your decision to do so. How does your "since Jesus" life differ from your "before Jesus" life.

*I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Matthew 3:11*

We have a God that leads us by example.

*And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." Matthew 3:16-17*

This year, who will set the agenda in your life? Your daily schedule; your media choices, your finances, etc. Who will you tell about this and will you ask them to check in with you weekly on how you're doing?

What is the Agenda? Discuss with your group.

Will you be starting 2021 with Jesus? If you said 'yes', how will your 2021 focus and purpose in life be different than it was in 2020? If you've decided to make a change in 2021 regarding your walk with Jesus, please share with your group.

*The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in his hands. Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life. John 3:35-36a*