



DISCUSSION GUIDE

Ice Breaker: As Thomas Tusser scribed, "Sweet April showers do bring May flowers," what does April thunder snow bring? How did you navigate the snow last week?

1. Pastor Tom used The Passion Translation when he quoted Proverbs 11:30—"But a life lived loving God bears lasting fruit, for the one who is truly wise wins souls." Before hearing Pastor Tom use this passage, did you ever consider yourself as a "soul-winner?" What is the reward of being truly wise as this verse depicts?
2. Read Matthew 16:25-26, 12:9-12 and Luke 20:37-38. How does Jesus demonstrate that our souls are precious and valuable in these verses? Have you ever considered the value of your soul in this way before? With such value, what steps do you take to care for your soul?
3. Tom said, "...our great God has forever connected the completion of this mission with the culmination of human history and the 2nd coming of Jesus Christ." Read 2 Peter 3:9-12 and Matthew 24:14. Do you sense the urgency these passages depict? Knowing you can help "hurry along" Jesus' return, how has this impacted your daily life? What intentional, practical next steps do you need to take in this area?"
4. Read the three parables (simple stories Jesus used to illustrate moral and spiritual truths) of the Lost Lamb, Lost Coin and Lost Son in Luke 15. What similarities do you see in each of these parables? What are some practical ways by which we can celebrate with those we know who go from being lost to being found?"
5. What is our role in helping people say their own YES! to Jesus? How have you engaged in the process of someone taking steps toward their own YES? Pastor Tom challenged us write down who we were inviting to Easter weekend this year. Who did you include on your list? If you haven't had a chance yet, who can you invite this week? Pray with your group, asking God to help open up doors of opportunity for you to invite those on your list, knowing this may help them say their own YES! someday soon.

PERSONAL GUIDE

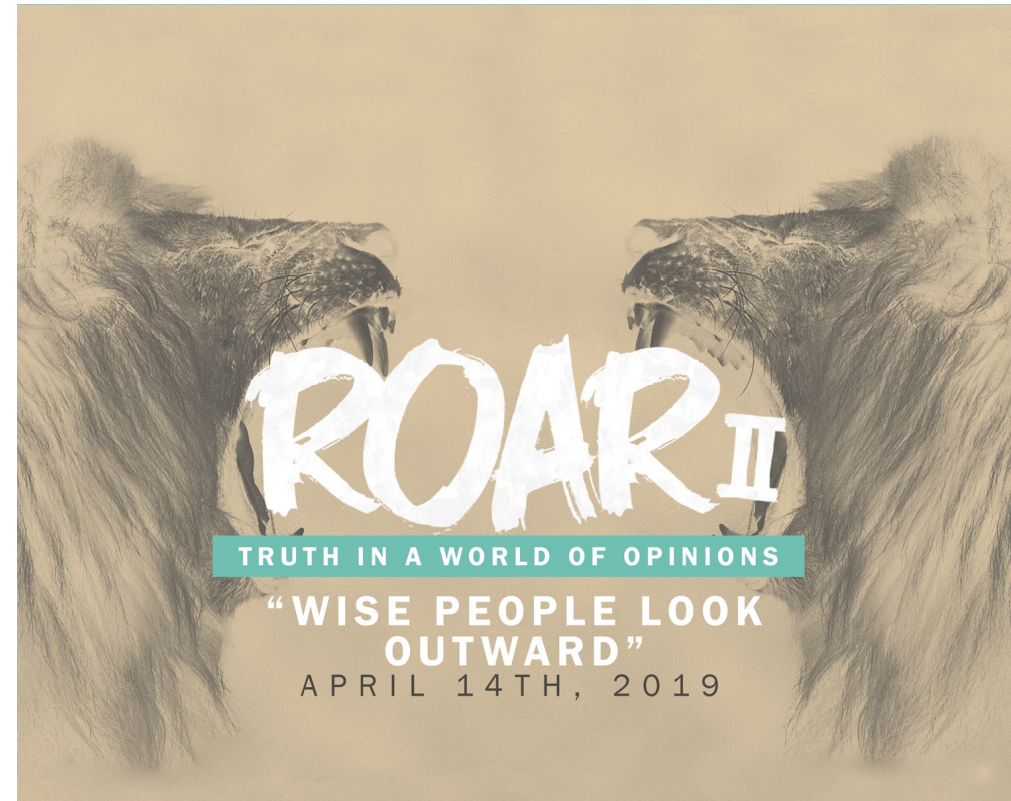
Day 1: Read Psalm 56

Day 2: Read Psalm 57

Day 3: Read Psalm 58

Day 4: Read Psalm 59

Day 5: Read Psalm 60



MESSAGE NOTES AND DISCUSSION-PERSONAL GUIDES



“Wise People Look Outward”
[Tom Lundeen, Senior Pastor]

MESSAGE NOTES

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(note Matthew 16:25-26)

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Note II Corinthians 12:3-4; Luke 15:7, 10

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Our souls are actually the c_____ of the universe...

Note John 10:10

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- There is...nothing more important or transformative or h_____ - m_____ or eternally significant than being used by God to help a child, student, man, woman...say YES to Jesus as their Lord!
- Have you ever said YES to Jesus as your Lord?
- The challenge and opportunity of Easter...

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