



Your group matters.

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- Icebreaker -

*What is something you would like to see
invented just for you in the next year?*

1. Pastor Tom said, "A natural part of growing up is learning to be less dependent on others. But a healthy desire to function in life as a capable/ independent person can also be twisted/perverted in our lives...and become a problem of pride." How have you experienced this tension and what have you done to keep it in check?
2. How can a well-intentioned desire to follow God, when met with unchecked independence, lead us into bad actions? (**Exodus 2:11-15**)
3. Read **Psalms 139:1-12**. "...nothing is secret from God." (Pastor Tom) How does God's knowledge of you, good and bad, comfort you as you seek to live out His will?
4. Going off of what we've learned about Moses thus far, what encouragement can you take away from **Deuteronomy 34:10-12**?
5. How will you choose today to live in total dependence on God?

(If you do not yet follow, or are new to following Jesus and have a Bible, look up the following: Romans 3:10,23; 5:6,8; 6:23; 10:9-11, 13; Ephesians 2:8-10.)

PERSONAL GUIDE

*This Personal Guide has been adapted from
Professor Grant Horner's Bible Reading System.*

Day One: Luke 7; Psalm 140

Day Two: Numbers 23; Proverbs 16

Day Three: Colossians 1; 2 Kings 14

Day Four: 1 Timothy 2; Ezekiel 17

Day Five: Job 16; Acts 28



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Message Notes



Milestones

"I'd Rather Do It Myself"

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Note **Hebrews 11:24-26**

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He committed himself to God's plan for his life, but he did so without an _____ sense of dependence on God...

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Note **Exodus 14:13-14; 2:13-14**

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...and we can, just the _____ things!

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3. Try to Run From Our Past and From the _____ (note **Exodus 2:15**)

Note **Genesis 46:34**

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Running away preserved Moses' life, but it didn't _____ him from his actions...

God never _____ anything.

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- ...or from some consequences our miscalculations and mistakes have _____?
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