THIS IS HOW WE ROLL
Week 5: Contagious Passion
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WARM-UP

What is something that brings genuine joy to your life? Why does it bring you joy?

DISCUSSION

This week, we're focusing on the last of the five values of Red Cedar Church: contagious passion.

- What insight from this past week's message spoke most directly to you?

Read Luke 4:1–2

- As Jesus was getting started on his ministry, he spent 40 days in the wilderness, where he was tempted by the devil. How did this time of testing prepare him for ministry?
- Why is it important to know he was led by the Spirit?

The Holy Spirit does not always lead you beside the still waters (**Psalm 23:2**) but sometimes into the wilderness—the desert—tough times to prepare you.

- What is the importance of examining your life in these circumstances to determine why you might be experiencing those tough times?
- How can you tell when the Spirit has led you into these times to prepare you versus experiencing self-induced struggles?

In his humanity, Jesus experienced every temptation that humans do, yet he was without sin (**Heb. 4:15**). When Satan tempted Jesus in the wilderness, Jesus demonstrated his ability to resist the devil and declared his allegiance to God. He did what Adam and Eve were unable to do!

- How do you think Jesus's wilderness experience fueled his passion for his mission?

Read Romans 16:17–19

- Based on this passage, what kinds of things could squelch our passion for Jesus?
- How do we train spiritually so our passion will carry us through the hard times?
    - When we demonstrate joy in the hard times, how does that affect our ministry to others?
- What is the difference between having simple passion for something and a *contagious* passion for something?
- What characteristics can you see in yourself or others when there is a passion about pursing God?

NEXT STEPS

- Why do you think adequate preparation is important to see you through the ministry you are called to? (See also **1 Timothy 4:7–16**)
    - What are ways you can train and prepare for the ministry God is calling you to?
- What things in your life might be dulling your passion for the ministry God has called you to?
- What step is God asking you to take or what habit is he asking you to strengthen for the fight that is ahead?

Seek God together for strength as you prepare for the next step he has called you to.

PRAYER

Partner with 2–3 others in your group to share prayer needs with each other.

Notes for praying for others this week: