



THEME:

Recognizing what truly matters > Philippians 1:9-10

CONVERSATION:

1. Ever taken a **shortcut** that was really a **longcut**?
2. What's the most **lost** you've ever been?
3. Pick **one word** to describe the feeling you have when you realize you're pretty far from where you want to be.
4. Pretty much everyone is looking for the route to '**what really matters**' - why do we so often find a place much **less spectacular**?
5. Check out **Proverbs 3:5-6** >

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.

6 In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

- a. Why is it so much easier for us to '**lean on**' & trust our **route** than it is to trust in God's? Are we just that confident in us?
- b. What do you think it's going to take for us to lean on & trust God more?
- c. How do you feel about **the path** laid out in Philippians 1:9-10 tonight? (*recognizing & locating 'what really matters' is the beginning of a life that is filled with beautiful, sincere, honest attempts toward the purpose we all long for.*)
- d. How can we encourage & challenge **each other** toward 'what really matters' & a full-send life of sincere, honest attempts?

RESPOND:

What's one **practical step** we can take to 'lean' on God more this week?

What's one **shortcut** I keep taking that never leads to where I really want to go?

Pray for each other > pray about needs you have this week > pray for the courage & wisdom to lean on God more & the ability to recognize what really matters.

When will we meet again?