

AT THE MOVIES

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN – WEEK 2

OUT OF THIS WORLD



Small Group Time:

Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. Begin with key questions, add any optional Scriptures and questions if needed, and then wrap up by deciding on your next steps.

Main Idea:

This week, we continued our series by looking at the movie “THE GREATEST SHOWMAN”. We used this movie to uncover the truth in all of our lives that so often we find ourselves chasing dreams of achievement. We’ve been led to believe that achievement will ultimately lead to fulfillment. Unfortunately, what we’ve experienced is that chasing achievement always leaves us coming up short.

Key Questions:

1. Ben talked about movies on his “shortlists” – movies that he loves and movies that he hates. To get us talking... What’s one movie you love and one movie you hate?
2. Read **Luke 15:11-16**. This is an example of a man who set out to chase dreams of achievement. He wanted to be better on his own. This story will set the tone for what we’re going to discuss.
3. What are some “dreams of achievement” that are pretty common for us to chase?
4. The two things that push us towards dreams of achievement are (1) Scars from our Past (2) Generational Examples. When it comes to this desire to constantly be more, which of these two can you relate to most? Explain.
5. Ben said, “Chasing dreams of achievement produces an always-moving line.” Talk about what this means and the pitfalls this brings into our lives.
6. It is possible to have dreams that lead to fulfillment, but those dreams must stem from the right places. One of the first points was that these dreams must be based on our commitments. Why is it so easy to lose sight of the people we’re committed to in our pursuit of achievement? Talk about a time you’ve done this or felt the sting of having this done to you.
7. Read **Luke 15:18-19**. When we chase dreams of achievement, much like the son, failure leads us to believe we’ve lost our sonship/daughtership. Talk about a time that you’ve gone through failure and felt like you weren’t good enough. What changes when we constantly embrace our sonship as we chase dreams?
8. Read **Luke 15:20**. We don’t have to be in close proximity for God to meet us. We just have to be moving in His direction. What needs to change in our dreams to start moving in His direction?

Next Steps:

- What’s one thing you will do this week as a result of something you learned from this message?

