

SHARE Group Discussion Guide

Texts: 2 Chron. 28:1-4, 22-27; 29:1-29; I Cor. 6:19; Pro. 28:25-26; Matt. 6:21; Matt. 15:18-19

Purpose of Discussion: To help us clean out those things in our lives that can hinder us from fully embracing God's blessings each day.

Warm UP

- Go around the circle and have your group finish the following sentence: "If you really knew me you would know....."

Introduction:

- Have you ever known someone who was told they would fail, but refused to listen and instead succeeded?
- Do you know of anyone who didn't listen to the crowd and instead made their own choice to do the right thing even when it was difficult?
- How do we view such individuals?

Getting Into the Text:

Read 2 Chronicles 28:1-4, 22-27 and 2 Chronicles 29:1-19

- By the thinking of our current culture, King Hezekiah was destined to fail. How so?
- What influences had his father King Ahaz given to help him be either faithful or disobedient to God?
- What contrasts can be seen between King Ahaz the father, and King Hezekiah the son?
- What was the first thing that King Hezekiah did to turn his people back to God?

Read I Corinthians 6:19; Proverbs 28:25-26; Matthew 6:21

- How do we close the doors to the Temple today? In what ways can we strive to open the doors?
- What happens to our hearts when we put our trust in ourselves?
- How do the scriptures say that one is "prospered" and "delivered"?

Read Matthew 15:18-19

- Can you think of any examples where ones actions are the true test of the condition of ones heart?
- How would you respond to: "I don't have any rubbish, only a little clutter. Why should I be concerned?"

Taking it Home:

- Taking out the trash, even our own is often a distasteful job. It gets worse the longer you leave it. What things can we do daily to clean out those things that hinder us from fully opening our hearts to God?
- In what ways can we help others to clear out the rubbish in their lives?
- What should our attitude be towards those in need? (physical or spiritual)
- Do you know someone who needs you right now?