

Made For More - Week 1 Message Discussion Questions

Introduction:

This week Matt begins a new series called 'Made For More'. This week Matt gets started with the Introduction. During this series we will be looking at seven lies that the enemy fires our way to separate us from God.

Do you know you were Made For More, but does something get between you and the Lord like during an eclipse? The trials and the struggles that we face in life, they actually come from a different kind of eclipse.

Ouestions:

- 1. What if Satan's ultimate strategy for you is the same as it was for Peter? Do you hate to fail more than anything? Do you ever fear that your faith may fail? Luke 22:31-32
- 2. Why is the Greek word Ekleipo an interesting word to describe how you may feel about your Christian life when something in front of you seems bigger than God? Do struggles and trials come between you and God like an eclipse and you feel like a complete failure? Luke 23:44-45
- 3. When something comes between you and God, do you begin to feel like God isn't there or doesn't care? What happens when the darkness of an obstacle blocks out the light and distorts your reality?
- 4. What are some examples from scripture where people's vision gets distorted and they lose sight of God? What did Peter, Elijah, David and the Israelites forget when Satan positioned something between them and the Lord and their faith failed? Numbers 13:33; 1 Kings 19:4

- 5. When you know darkness is coming, is it important for you to learn to fight in the shade? Why can't you just wait for the darkness to disappear? Can you praise God in the storm? Can your faith flourish even in the dark, knowing the light is still there even when you can't see it?
- 6. How can you know that our culture isn't the answer for you to be all that God wants you to be? Where can you find your true identity, your true purpose that you were created for? What is culture missing that you can only find in God?
- 7. Once you know who He is, how does that help you know who you are? What does it mean to be 'Made For More'? Are you prepared to fight in the dark, knowing the Lord is still there?

Key Takeaway: As Christians we were once dead in our trespasses and sins, but now we've been made alive in Jesus Christ. And we weren't made to be tending that grave of sin and darkness and defeat, no, we were called by name, born and raised back to life again, the truth is, we were made for more.

Summary:

- Satan's ultimate strategy is for your faith to fail, to live in defeat with the light from God blocked out
- The Greek word for fail is Ekleipo, where we get our word eclipse (where the light fails).
- What happens when something comes between God and you? Do you begin to feel like God isn't there, or doesn't care?
- What are some examples from scripture where people's vision gets distorted and they lose sight of God?
- Learning to fight in the shade... don't wait for the darkness to disappear, start fighting in the dark
- Culture isn't the answer, most of your failures come because you did what culture told you to do
- I know who I am because I know who you are... you were made for more