



LifeGroup Discussion Packet

Greater Work in You

Ephesians 3:20

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Main Idea: Before God does greater things *through* us, He wants to do a greater work *in* us. God's power is already at work, but surrender releases it.

Key Scripture: "Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us." **Ephesians 3:20 (NIV)**

Warm-Up Question: What's one area of life where you tend to lower your expectations because you've been disappointed before?

Group Discussion:

1. Belief & Limitation - Pastor Todd talked about how we often limit God not because He lacks power, but because we quietly decide what *won't* change.
 - Why do you think it's easier to believe God can work in other people's lives than in our own?
 - What are some common ways people say, "That's just how I am," instead of trusting God for growth?
2. Honest Faith - In Mark 9, the father said, "*I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief.*"
 - Why do you think Jesus responded to *honest* faith instead of *perfect* faith?
 - How does this story encourage you when your faith feels weak or uncertain?

3. Immeasurably More - The message emphasized that God often exceeds what we ask or imagine.
 - Why do you think we tend to pray "safe prayers" instead of bold ones?
 - Can you share a time when God surprised you by doing more than you expected, either personally or spiritually?
4. Surrender & Alignment - Pastor Todd said, "*God's power flows most freely through a surrendered life.*"
 - Which of these areas is hardest to surrender for most people: habits, priorities, relationships, time, finances, or obedience?
 - Why do you think surrender feels risky, even when we trust God?
5. The One Thing - During the service, everyone was encouraged to identify *one area* of surrender.
 - Without oversharing, were you able to identify "the one thing" God brought to mind?
 - What makes surrendering that area difficult?

Going Deeper:

Pastor Todd explained that surrender is not weakness; it's alignment.

- How does seeing surrender as alignment (instead of loss or control) change your view of obedience?
- What would it look like for God to do a "greater work" in your character, faith, or trust this year?

Next Step (This Week's Challenge: "The One Thing")

This week, focus on **one specific area** God highlighted for you.

Step 1: Write it down. Be specific.

Step 2: Pray daily, "God, I trust You with this. I release control and choose surrender."

Step 3: Take one practical step of obedience related to that area.

Remember: surrender doesn't mean you fix everything, it means you trust God with something.

Closing Prayer:

"God, thank You that Your power is already at work within us. Help us not to limit You with fear, past disappointment, or control. Teach us to trust You deeply and surrender fully. Do a greater work in us this year, so You can do greater things through us. In Jesus' name, amen."