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Dr. Del Tackett is our Tour Guide through The Engagement Project. This Go Deeper is a Study Guide of key points and questions from Tour One-- this includes thoughts and questions presented by Dr. Del Tackett and extra questions relating to things we learned from this Tour. The verses throughout the Study Guide are from Tour One to be used for the guide and to have them easily accessible for continued study, reminders and producing fruit of your own.

Tour One begins reminding the group that they have signed the waiver agreeing they will not run away from the face of God. We all should have mentally signed this waiver as well. This Tour focuses on Creation and its relationship to God's Endgame.

Dr. Del Tackett starts with Three Questions:

- Why did Jesus leave?
- Why does God send? (As opposed to God doing the works Himself)
- What is God's Endgame?

Dr. Dell Tackett spoke about the fig tree that Jesus cursed. Jesus went to the tree in search of fruit that is produced before there are figs. If the tree is not producing this fruit, it will not produce figs. (**Matthew 21:18-19**)

- Why did Jesus curse the fig tree?
- Are you like the fig tree in the story?
 - If you are not now, have you ever been like the fig tree that is not producing fruit?
 - What can (or do) you do to produce fruit?

In Tour One, Dr. Del Tackett said "we are not created to look pretty and live for us, we are created for HIM and to live for HIM" how often do you look at your life in these ways?

- Who do you live like you were created for--yourself or God?

Dr. Del Tackett said everything God created was in relationships, and that God desires fruit and offspring from all His creations. **Malachi 2:15**

- What do you think about this verse and statement?

Dr. Del Tackett spoke to his group about **Genesis 2**, where there were fields (producing no fruit) with no one to tend to them--so God placed man in the garden to tend to the land and watch over it (**Genesis 2:15**). Just like God placed man in the garden to tend to the land and watch over it, He has placed us where we are to cultivate and bear fruit. We should be flourishing and continue to strive to do more.

- What are some ways you can be used by God to cultivate and produce fruit where you are now?

God is the God of Life--The life God intended for His creation is not about just existing, He created us to flourish.

Revelation 22:14
Revelation 22:17
Philippians 2:16
1 John 1:1
Acts 3:15
John 14:6
John 11:25
John 6:35
John 6:63
John 1:4
John 10:10
Genesis 1:11-12

Genesis 1:22
Genesis 1:28
Genesis 1:17
Genesis 8:17
Genesis 9:1
Genesis 17:6
Genesis 35:11
Leviticus 26:9
Deuteronomy 28:11
Leviticus 26:20
John 15:2
Revelation 22:12

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We are created to glorify God, we do this by producing fruit. (**John 15:8 & Psalm 19**) The fruit of God's creation is linked to the glory of God. We are called to abide in Christ--apart from Christ we can do nothing (**John 15:4-5**). We know we are called to abide in Christ and produce fruit, which means we need to remember WHO is the focus and what TRUE Christianity is. The world wants to tell us it is all about "me" and what God can do FOR us (me)...TRUE Christianity is about GOD and what He can do THROUGH us to bring HIM glory.

We were created, equipped, empowered, and set free to flourish, bring forth fruit, and that fruit brings glory to God.

Dr. Del Tackett gave us Three Ways to Flourish:

- 1.) Physically-Have children **Genesis 1:28**
- 2.) Vocationally-Bringing glory to God where He has placed you **Psalm 128:2**
- 3.) Ministerially-Make Disciples **Mark 4:20**

What area is the hardest for you to flourish?

Dr. Del Tackett spoke about the Dead Sea. It has living water flowing into it and nothing flows out of it. We are called to be cultivators of life and should not be a place where Living Water goes to die.

- How can you be sure you are cultivating life and not a Dead Sea?

The Devil will try and stop you from cultivating life and turn you into a Dead Sea. He will "HISS"--by filling your mind with Skepticism, Selfishness, Significance (questioning your significance). It is important to remember WE are not the endgame, God wants to do something THROUGH us--our salvation was not the end.

Genesis 1:28

Matthew 25:14-30

John 15:16

Galatians 5:22-23

Mark 4:20

Luke 14, 15

John 15:8

John 15:2

Colossians 1:10 "Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better."

Romans 7:4 "So, my dear brothers and sisters, this is the point: You died to the power of the law when you died with Christ. And now you are united with the one who was raised from the dead. As a result, we can produce a harvest of good deeds for God."

Christianity is not about you, it is about what HE can do THROUGH you.
It is not about the Lamp, it is about the Light.

Psalm 119:105 "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."

John 8:12 "When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.' "