



# GREAT BIG U- PART 2

## Family Devotional/Adult & Teen Discussion Guide

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**1. PRIMARY STATEMENT:** Through the Holy Spirit, God wants to use believers to get engaged in serving and make up the body of Christ - the Church. Often times, though, we feel like our lack of skills, qualifications or training leaves us without anything to offer. The truth is, God is looking for people just like you to accomplish His will on the earth.

## 2. BIBLE VERSE

1 Corinthians 1:26-27 [ESV]

*"For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God."*

**Q.** Think of someone in today's world who has done, or is doing, big things for God. How qualified do they seem to you? How skilled? Does that intimidate you or encourage you?

**Q.** Now, imagine that same person when the Lord first called them to serve. How qualified or prepared do you think they felt at the time? Does that change how you feel about your own readiness to serve God?

## 3. DISCUSSION

Judges 6:12-16 [NLT]

*"Gideon son of Joash was threshing wheat at the bottom of a winepress to hide the grain from the Midianites. The angel of the Lord appeared to him and said, 'Mighty hero, the Lord is with you! ...Go with the strength you have, and rescue Israel from the Midianites. I am sending you!' 'But Lord,' Gideon replied, 'how can I rescue Israel? My clan is the weakest in the whole tribe of Manasseh, and I am the least in my entire family!' The Lord said to him, 'I will be with you.'"*

**Q.** What is your family history and background? Believers or unbelievers? Casual Christians or ardent God-followers? Have you served God since childhood, or did you come to accept Him as an adult?

**Q.** How might God be able to use your past to equip you for His service?



## 4. PRAYER FOCUS

Take a few minutes as a family and thank God for calling you to be part of the body of Christ. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you engage in the Church to accomplish His will.



# HUMILITY

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**1. POWER VERSE:** **2 Chronicles 7:14** *"If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and heal their land."*

### **"Gotta Stay Humble, Got To Pray, & God Will Heal Our Land Today!"**

In our series, "Soul Food", we continue to find out the key ingredients for a healthy Christian life. This week, we learn that humility is one of those ingredients. Humility is essential for serving God and giving Him all the glory each day. We learn from the example of King Nebuchadnezzar what can happen if we are prideful.

## 2. BIBLE READING:

Read: Daniel 4:24-37

Q. Whom did King Nebuchadnezzar think was the reason for all of his success?

Q. What did Daniel say would happen to King Nebuchadnezzar if he continued to have pride? How did he respond?

Q. What did God do to King Nebuchadnezzar as punishment for his pride? Then what happened when the time passed?



## 3. DISCUSSION:

King Nebuchadnezzar was very prideful and took all of the credit and glory for himself, instead of giving God glory. When God saw this, God removed King Nebuchadnezzar from his position as king of Babylon until he was humbled and began to give God all of the glory. We learn from our Power Verse, 2 Chronicles 7:14, that God says we must humble ourselves, pray, seek His face, and turn from our sin. If we do those things, He says He will hear us, forgive us, and heal our land.

Q. What are some ways you can become too prideful in your own life?

Q. What can you do to make sure you never allow pride to keep you from giving God all of the glory?



## 4. PRAYER FOCUS

**Pray that your children would humble themselves before God, pray, seek Him whenever they face life's many difficult situations, and always run from sin.**