

LH Groups exist to fulfill the mission of the church to Reach the Lost & Make Disciples. We do this primarily through Connecting People & Strengthening their Faith.

Connecting People - You shouldn't have to do life alone. We were made to connect, and we want to connect you to Jesus, and to others on the same path as you.

Strengthening Faith - It's ok to not be ok, we just can't stay there. We want to create opportunities for you to step out in faith in pursuit of Jesus and His will for your life.

#### **STORIES**

We love stories of how Jesus is changing lives through Groups! If you have a story of Jesus working in you or your group send it to us at groups@lighthouse.church.

# **UPCOMING**

## Outreach

Contributing is a privilege, and it's a privilege we want everyone to share in. So don't forget to plan your groups outreach project this semeseter! This could be your chance to take one step closer to Jesus this Spring! Ask your group leader for more info.

### **Growth Track**

Want to make Growth your Goal this year? Then don't forget to register for Growth Track lighthouse.church/growth-track

Where you can grow in following Jesus, discovering your purpose and activating your gifts.

# Crossing Over Week 4 - Deadly Deceptions

#### **RECAP**

Joshua 7:1, 10-13, 20-26

The Benefit Outweighs the Cost

Joshua 7:21 James 1:14-15

The Misstep Can Be Managed

Joshua 7:21

Fallout Can Be Contained

Joshua 7:24-25 Romans 6:23

#### **ICEBREAKER**

What's the greatest hidden 'treasure' you've ever found?

# **GROUP QUESTIONS**

#### Read Joshua 7:1-26

- What is your first reaction to this story? Why do you see it that way?
- Remember the context of this story and what has come immediately before it. God has delivered Israel from slavery in Egypt, provided for them in every way for 40+ years, led them to the Promised Land and caused a fortified city to crumble without anyone touching it. How does this affect your view of this situation?
- Ultimately God is providing a warning to us about how sin can deceive us by pretending to be something it's not. Can you look back on times in your own life when you've realized your sin started long before you thought, because it pretended to be something it was not? What was the starting point for this? (Read James 1:15)
- What have you learned from that in order to recognize it sooner next time?

#### Read Romans 8:1

 Consequences for sin do not go away, however, for those who are in Jesus there is no condemnation anymore, but rather an invitation into a forgiveness and transformation.

What is the difference between consequence and condemnation?

#### Read 2 Corinthians 3:18

- What steps can you be taking to avoid sin?
- Why should you run to God first when you do sin?
- What steps can you take to reorient your desires to want the right thing in the first place?

## **MEMORY VERSE**

So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

- 2 Corinthians 3:18