

DISCUSSION GUIDE

PASTOR BLACKBURN AND PASTOR SELLER'S MESSAGE - "CHRISTMAS AT VICTORY" - PART 1

AS THE DISCUSSION LEADER, THERE ARE A FEW THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND:

- Pray for your group discussion time!
- Choose a few questions from the guide that will generate the most discussion in your group.

GETTING TO KNOW ME (ICEBREAKER):

• What do you love most about the Christmas season?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Have someone read John 3:16. How does God show His love to each of us? Have someone read Psalm 145:9.
- What's your favorite Christmas song? Why? Have someone read 1 Timothy 6:17.
- Adam and Eve were in the perfect environment in the Garden of Eden. How did Adam and Eve walk away from God initially? Have someone read Genesis 3:1-3. Have you ever walked away from God? Explain.
- Pastor said in the message, "Temptation is when you start to trust your feelings more than what you know is right."
 What do you think of that definition of temptation? Have you ever been tempted? What do you do when you are tempted?
- Pastor said in the message, "Did you know that Christmas happens at the darkest point in our lives?" What do you think about that statement?
- Why did God send His son, Jesus, to earth? Have someone read 1 John 4:9.
- In his message, Pastor said, "Everything that happens in the world happens in God's timing." What do you think about that statement? Have someone read Galatians 4:4-5.

PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:

Matthew Navigato – Northern Asia Brian & Heather Nelsen (Cyrus, Isaiah, & Lydianna) - India

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Salvation Army Bell Ringing, North and South Lakeland Walmart – If you want to help, please sign up online at *victorylakeland.org/events*, or at the Salvation Army table in the lobby.

Friday, December 23, 7 PM, Saturday, December 24, 5 PM (North Campus) – Come experience the Christmas story and the hope of Jesus through songs, a life-changing story, and something special just for the kids.