

# **RADICAL**

## **SUMMARY OF CHAPTERS 7**

Chapter 7— Far too often, believers “claim Christ is necessary for salvation, yet they live their Christianity in silence, as if people around them in the world will indeed be OK in the end without Christ” (p 142). However, “if people are dying and going to hell without ever knowing there is a Gospel, then we clearly have no time to waste our lives on an American dream” (p 143). The Bible is extremely clear that “all people know God, and all people reject God. All people are guilty before God, and all people are condemned for rejecting God. God has made a way of salvation for the lost, and people cannot come to God apart from faith in Christ. As a result, Christ commands the church to make the Gospel known to all peoples” (p 157). Thus, “the will of God is for you and me to give our lives urgently and recklessly to making the Gospel and the glory of God known among all peoples, particularly those who have never heard of Jesus” (p 160).

Leaders remember our monthly goals

1. Prayer- around gospel encounters, pains in the group, praises of our great God.
2. Encourage intentional living (gospel in the everyday)
3. Verbally inform about church life- announcements (or prayer about - facility, prayer regarding pressing issues in your group or in the church- see point one)
4. Apply the word
  - a. Scripture memory
  - b. sermon application
  - c. Putting off the old self and putting on Christ
    - i. confession leading to repentance through
    - ii. accountability- we want people to be suspicious of their own hearts and learn to apply the gospel with adults and children.
5. Joy in all you do ☺

1. Talk about interesting or convicting quotes from Chapters 1 & 2. What questions do your group members have pertaining to these first two chapters?
2. Remind our people that self-denying love for others does not earn us right standing before God, but rather is a fruit of the heart that sees the beauty and all-satisfying nature of Jesus. The Gospel must be our fuel and motivation for living intentional lives of love and sacrifice where God has us.
3. The author states that many believers practically live universalistic lives. Meaning that “they claim Christ is necessary for salvation, yet they live their Christianity in silence, as if people around them in the world will indeed be OK in the end without Christ”(p 142). Are you living areas of your life this way? What specific steps have you been encouraged to take to create opportunities to speak the Gospel to others?
4. Discuss together any of the 7 truths about God on pages 143-154 that prompted questions from group members. What new truths did group members learn about God, man, and the urgency to speak the Gospel to the unreached peoples of the world?
5. The author states that “the will of God is for you and me to give our lives urgently and recklessly to making the Gospel and the glory of God known among all peoples, particularly those who have never heard of Jesus”(p 160). What heart struggles are keeping you from obeying the call of God? (Ex: love of comfort, fear of losing safety, love of money, laziness) Have group members share and then pray for one another to be intentional in pursuing the nations .
6. What specific steps can you take to help get the Gospel to the unreached peoples of the world?

Refresh everyone’s memory of the chapters by reading the summary: