



**THE FORGE**  
BUILDING LEGACY

## **EQUIPPING MEN TO BE DISCIPLES OF JESUS**

**GROW WITH GOD  
GROW WITH EACH OTHER  
GROW IN THE WORD**

# **SCHEDULE**

## **LARGE EVENTS**

Summer: Men's Night

Winter: Men's Conference *(Or Event)*

Spring: Closing BBQ

## **MEDIUM GATHERINGS**

First Wednesday of the Month (6x)

Sep. - Oct. - Nov

Feb. - March - April

## **SMALL CORE GROUPS**

Groups of 4-6 Men

9 Months with same leader

September - May

Meet monthly for accountability & discussions

# **KEY ELEMENTS**

## **Gather Events**

**Monthly Small Group** 4 to 6 Guys *(With Text Chain)*

**First Wednesday CORE** meetings Monthly (6x)

**Memory Verses** Monthly Focus

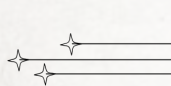
**Group Assignments** Monthly

**Reading** 4 books over 9 month

**Journal**

	TOPIC	LARGE GROUP DISCUSSIONS (FIRST WEDNESDAY)	SMALL GROUP READING	VERSE OF THE MONTH
	KICKOFF - LARGE GATHER	<b>AUGUST 22</b> A Vision for Discipleship	----	----
<b>1</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER (IDENTITY)</b>	Large Group 1 9.3.25	<b>Book A:</b> Becoming A King ( <i>Chapters 1-5</i> )	John 15:16-17
<b>2</b>	<b>OCTOBER (INTEGRITY)</b>	Large Group 2 10.1.25	(Book A Continue) Part 2; Chap 6-10	Luke 9:23-24
<b>3</b>	<b>NOVEMBER (LEADERSHIP)</b>	Large Group 3 11.5.25	<b>Book B:</b> A Tale of Three Kings ( <i>1-18</i> )	Philippians 2:3-4
<b>4</b>	<b>DECEMBER (HUMILITY)</b>	----	(Book B Continue) (Part 2 - 19-27)	Matthew 11:28-30
<b>5</b>	<b>JANUARY (FAILURE)</b>	----	<b>Book C:</b> Win the Day ( <i>Chapters 1-6</i> )	Psalms 73:26
<b>6</b>	<b>FEBRUARY (PRIORITIES)</b>	Large Group 4 2.4.26	(Book C Continue) ( <i>Chapters 7-13</i> )	Philippians 4:6-8
<b>7</b>	<b>MARCH. (PRAYER)</b>	Large Group 5 3.4.26	<b>Book D:</b> A Praying Life ( <i>Chapters 1-18</i> )	1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
<b>8</b>	<b>APRIL (FINISH WELL)</b>	Large Group 6 4.1.26	(Book D Continue) ( <i>Chapters 19-34</i> )	Philippians 1:6
<b>9</b>	<b>MAY - CLOSING BBQ (CELEBRATE)</b>	May 6- TBD Personal Ministry Plan, Reflection, Next Step	<b>The Bible</b>	1 Corinthians 9:24-27

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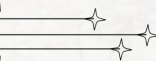


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## **BOOK ASSIGNMENT**

### **BECOMING A KING**

**BY: MORGAN SNYDER**

**CHAPTERS 1-5**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

**JOHN 15:16-17**

**NEW LIVING TRANSLATION**

## **TOPIC & TASK**

## **IDENTITY**

Find a quiet time and place, and sit down with a piece of paper and a pen. Ask yourself this question:

**“When I think about myself—who I am as a person—how would I describe the real me?”**

Write down your answers in a column—keep it to fewer than 10 words. This is personal, so be dead level honest with yourself. No one else has to see your list. Don’t overthink or filter the words; just write down whatever comes to mind.

If you’re being real with yourself, your list will likely include a mix of positive and negative words.

Now, take a moment to pray and ask God to show you the words *He* would use to describe you—His adopted son. Next to each word you originally wrote, jot down the word you sense God is giving you as *His* descriptor.

Look at the contrast.

Reflect on the difference between how you see yourself and how God sees you.

## **PRAYER NEEDS**

## **NEXT MEET UP**



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### **BECOMING A KING**

**BY: MORGAN SNYDER**

**CHAPTERS 6-10**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

**LUKE 9:23-24**

**NEW LIVING TRANSLATION**

## **TOPIC & TASK**

## **INTEGRITY**

### **Admitting Mistakes and Taking Responsibility**

When you make a mistake, don't shift the blame or make excuses. Instead, acknowledge the error and take full responsibility for the consequences.

Be aware of your natural tendency this month to deflect or justify your actions. Take time to reflect and write down specific moments where you found yourself making excuses—whether for something you did or failed to do.

Ask yourself:

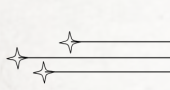
- Do I take ownership of my mistakes?
- Is there anyone I need to go back to and apologize to?
- Have I manipulated a situation to make myself look better?

Be honest. Then, come ready to share with the group what you discovered.

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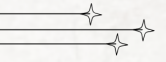




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## **BOOK ASSIGNMENT**

### **A TALE OF THREE KINGS**

**BY: GENE EDWARDS**

**CHAPTERS 1-18**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

**PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4**  
**NEW LIVING TRANSLATION**

## **TOPIC & TASK**

## **LEADERSHIP**

### **Leaders You Admire**

Take some time this month to reflect on leaders you admire. Choose a few you know personally, as well as others you may only know through books, podcasts, or stories.

What stands out about them?

What common traits make you respect and look up to these leaders?

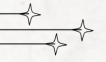
Now turn the focus inward:

- What leadership qualities do you see in yourself that you excel in?
- What are some areas where you'd like to grow?

Write down your reflections and bring your list with you to the group.

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## **BOOK ASSIGNMENT**

### **A TALE OF THREE KINGS**

**BY: GENE EDWARDS**

**CHAPTERS 19-27 (PART 2)**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

**MATTHEW 11:28-30**  
**NEW LIVING TRANSLATION**

## **TOPIC & TASK**

## **HUMILITY**

### **The Comparison Trap**

Do you find yourself constantly comparing your life to others? If so, in what areas?  
Take time to reflect and make a list of specific areas where comparison seems to creep in.

### **Vulnerability**

True humility doesn't hide. Pride, on the other hand, covers up our insecurity.

This month, challenge yourself:

What are two specific ways you can humble yourself and choose vulnerability—even at the risk of rejection?  
Write them down, take action, and be prepared to share what you experienced.

### **Active Listening**

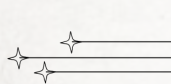
Humility chooses to truly listen. You might have a better idea, a smarter strategy, or a more efficient way—but do you really listen, or are you just waiting for your turn to speak?

This month, practice holding your tongue and fully engaging in active listening. Reflect on the impact and come ready to share what you learned.

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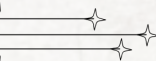


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### **WIN THE DAY**

**BY: MARK BATTERSON**

**CHAPTERS 1-6**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

### **PSALM 73:26**

**NEW LIVING TRANSLATION**

## **TOPIC & TASK**

## **FAILURE**

### **Failure Isn't Final**

Is there a project you've been saying you'll finish for months—but still haven't?

Be honest: have you been procrastinating or just avoiding it out of laziness or lack of motivation?

This month, commit to completing that unfinished project.

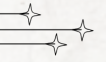
Whether it's painting a room, fixing a leaky faucet, organizing your garage, or something else—whatever you've been putting off, finish it.

Follow through. Bring it to completion.

Come ready to share what it felt like to finally get it done.

## **PRAYER NEEDS**

## **NEXT MEET UP**



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## BOOK ASSIGNMENT

### WIN THE DAY

BY: MARK BATTERSON

CHAPTERS 7-13

## MEMORY VERSE

### PHILIPPIANS 4:6-8

NEW LIVING TRANSLATION

## TOPIC & TASK

### How Are You Spending Your Time?

Draw a diagram like the one below and take an honest look at your schedule. Categorize how you're spending your time using these four quadrants:

- Important & Urgent
- Important but Not Urgent
- Not Important but Urgent
- Not Important & Not Urgent

Once you've mapped it out, ask yourself:  
Am I using my time wisely, or am I spending too much energy in areas that only add to my stress?

Come to group ready to share your insights and talk about what changes you might need to make.

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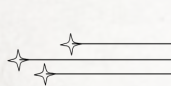
## PRIORITIES

### The Eisenhower Decision Matrix

	Urgent	Not Urgent
Important	<b>Do</b> <i>Do it now.</i>	<b>Decide</b> <i>Schedule a time to do it</i>
Not Important	<b>Delegate</b> <i>Who can do it for you?</i>	<b>Delete</b> <i>Eliminate it</i>

## NEXT MEET UP



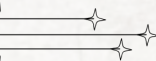


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### **A PRAYING LIFE**

**BY: PAUL E. MILLER**

**CHAPTERS 1-18**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

### **1 THESSALONIANS**

**5:16-18**

**NEW LIVING TRANSLATION**

## **TOPIC & TASK**

## **PRAYER**

### **Lead in Prayer**

Pray with your spouse. If you're not married, pray with a friend.

Many of us shy away from praying out loud or leading our families in prayer—but the best way to learn is simply to start. Just pray.

This month, step out and begin leading in prayer.

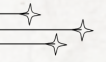
Each night before bed, take time to pray with your spouse and kids. If you're single, call a friend and spend a few minutes praying together. It might feel awkward at first—but that will pass. After a couple of weeks, it may become one of the most natural and life-giving parts of your day.

Also, try this: turn off the radio on your way to work each day and use that time to talk with the Lord. Don't know where to begin? Start with gratitude.

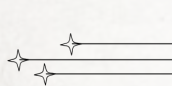
Come ready to share what this experience has meant to you.

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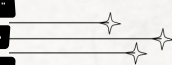


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### **A PRAYING LIFE**

**BY: PAUL E. MILLER**

**CHAPTERS 19-34**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

### **PHILIPPIANS 1:6**

**NEW LIVING TRANSLATION**

## **TOPIC & TASK**

## **FINISH WELL**

### **Reflection**

Take a moment to look back over your Forge experience—meetings, books, memory verses, homework, accountability, and conversations. Jot down the three or four most significant things you've learned or experienced this year. Be prepared to share with the group.

What's Next? What's your next step?

Is there something you need to do to keep the fire going? It's easy to slip back into old routines if you're not intentional. Remember—you're not alone. You've got a band of brothers around you, and we're better together.

What could be your next move?

- Lead a men's group next year
- Volunteer at church
- Get involved with a ministry
- Join a small group
- Take a class to grow your faith or leadership

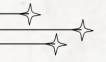
Need help figuring it out? Talk to your leader—let's discover your next step together.

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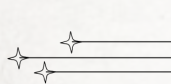
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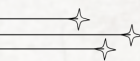


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## **BOOK ASSIGNMENT**

### **THE BIBLE**

**BY: JESUS**

**TAKE A JOURNEY WITH THE ONE  
YEAR BIBLE**

## **MEMORY VERSE**

### **1 CORINTHIANS**

**9:24-27**

**NEW LIVING TRANSLATION**

## **TOPIC & TASK**

## **CELEBRATE**

### **Congratulations!**

Over the past nine months, we hope something has sparked a fire within you—and that you've come to believe that real, lasting change is possible.

But this is just the beginning.

Nothing brings lasting transformation like the Word of God. It's alive. It's powerful. And it's more than just a book—it's the voice of God speaking directly to you.

### **Your challenge now is to make God's Word a daily priority.**

A great way to begin is by following a One-Year Bible reading plan.

If you're not sure where to start, don't hesitate to ask your group leader or one of the pastors at your local church. We're here to help.

Grace & Peace

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