

First Things First
“Good Faith” – Jim Burgen
April 20-21, 2019

Group Creed

We come together as a Group with the goal of Spiritual Formation; encouraging one another to become the same kind of person that Jesus is, so that we can live out every part of our lives inside of His Kingdom.

Bible References: Hebrews 4:15, 11:1 and Matthew 26:38-39

Community:

1. Are you a Marshmallow Peeps® person or a Reese’s® Peanut Butter Egg person?
2. How did you celebrate the Easter weekend?

Core:

1. Jim quoted Mike Tyson this weekend saying, “Everybody has a plan until you get punched in the mouth”. He then said that everyone has a “quit line”; a line where they give up. Have you reached your “quit line” before, and if so, what was that situation?
2. **Read Hebrews 4:15.** Do you find it hard to believe that Jesus (our high priest) was tempted the same way you’re tempted or do you think He had it easier than we do?
3. **Read Matthew 26:38-39.** When Jesus prayed for “this cup” to be taken, what do you think was overwhelming His soul with sorrow to the point of death?
4. Jim said, “In order to face something really, really hard you have to have a vision to do, and be a part of, something great—and greater than yourself”. That’s what Jesus had as He went to the cross. Where do you need that kind of vision right now in your life?
5. **Read Hebrews 11:1.** Jesus had faith that God was going to raise Him from the dead. Where do you need that kind of faith to raise a dead part of your life?

Challenge:

Jim talked about the two deals on the table: Quit or Keep Going. He said there are two questions that need answered: (1) What if you quit? (2) What happens if you keep going? There’s a risk in both. This week, spend time in prayer asking God to fulfill His promise to resurrect you on the other side of where you want to quit—knowing that if He raised Jesus—He can resurrect you.