

Loser – Glory Days
Weekend Discussion Questions
August 23-24, 2014

Community:

1. Was there ever a time that you had planned a “perfect” adventure, trip, idea, and it went completely wrong?
2. What are some things in your “glory days” that you have tried to relive?

Core:

1. In what ways do you still look back on your life, instead of pressing forward? What are some ways you can reverse those thoughts and look forward instead?
2. In Philippians 2:5-8, Paul writes about Jesus leaving His status as God and leaving His glory, and coming down to serve—squeezing out every bit of His life. In what ways can we serve—squeezing out every bit of our lives?
3. What does it look like for you to grow more in that area?
4. Scott said, *“Religious winning is often more dangerous than sinful losing.”* What do you think this means? How has this been true in your life?
5. Scott quoted C.S. Lewis, *“The change which I most need to undergo is a change that my own direct, voluntary efforts cannot bring about.”* This illustrates having to let go of all your control, and to latch onto Jesus tightly. Why is this so hard to do?
6. What do you have to focus your energy on to get to the *“finish line”*—with no gas left in the tank? What in your life is holding you back from that now?
7. Jesus let go of all of His glory, privileges, and His rights as God. He lost all of those, and let go of them to win the cross, to get us back, connected with God. What in your life do you have to lose, and what do you win by doing so?

Challenge:

1. What is the first step for you to let go of control and hold on to Jesus tighter?
2. In Scott’s mountain biking story, his son Silas gets hurt in the very beginning, but grits his teeth, and pushes through to the very end. We all have scars, bruises and pain, but how can you use your answer from the question above and apply it to everyday life. What do you have to let go of to look forward and keep *“peddling”*?