

## Oceanside Connect Group Outline

Week of November 1<sup>st</sup> 2015



### Key Scriptures

#### 2 Timothy 3:10–17 (ESV) (excerpt)

<sup>10</sup> You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, <sup>11</sup> my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. <sup>12</sup> Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, <sup>13</sup> while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. <sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it. [...]

#### Judges 2:6-12, ESV (excerpt)

[...] <sup>10</sup> And all that generation also were gathered to their fathers. And there arose another generation after them who did not know the LORD or the work that he had done for Israel.

#### Israel's Unfaithfulness

<sup>11</sup> And the people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and served the Baals. <sup>12</sup> And they abandoned the LORD, the God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt. [...]

## Discussion questions from this week's sermon

### The Global Community

Mike reported meeting church leaders from persecuted nations during the NCMI World Equip. And, what surprised him was that these people did not speak of their persecution but instead focused on the opportunities that they had. **Is it easier for us to focus on the perceived barriers against The Gospel in Canada than focus on God and His ability to overcome them? Why did the people coming from persecuted nations not seem to concentrate on that persecution? What can we learn from them?**

In 2 Timothy 3:12 Paul says that, *"everyone who desires to live a godly life in Jesus Christ will be persecuted."* **Why did Paul say that? What do you believe it means for us at Oceanside?**

NCMI is active in over 100 countries around the world with thousands of churches. **What do you think our part as a whole church is in this world community? On a more personal level, what do you think your part is within NCMI?**

Mike challenged everyone in Oceanside to have a passport so that they are ready to go to our brothers and sisters around the world. **What is your personal take on this?**

### The Next Generation

In Judges 2 the generation to come fell away from the Lord after the death of Joshua. It seems that there is always worry about the next generation. **What do you feel about the Godliness of the next generation? What new challenges will they face?**

Tyrone Daniel took over the leadership of NCMI when he was 35 years old. **How does the church's way of releasing leaders differ from the world's? Why do we do it so differently?**

We all must take a role in raising the next generation in God or we will see things similar to Judges 2. **Do you have a testimony of yourself being sowed by someone from an older generation? Is God highlighting anyone from the next generation that you can have influence with? As a group, how can we be active and effective in this?**