

Perfectly Positioned Group Questions

Chapter 1

1. What do you consider to be your greatest failures in life thus far?
2. Have you seen God use these setbacks to produce His character in your life?
3. In retrospect, in what way did you respond properly to those challenges?
4. In retrospect, how would you respond differently if you were able to do it over?
5. What is your present assessment of the value of failure in your own life?

Chapter 2

1. Did you feel significant when you were growing up?
2. Did you have a close relationship with your father and mother?
3. Do you believe you are still suffering the consequences of past sins?
4. Do you believe God forgives you and has used your past sins to bring you into a closer relationship with Him? In what ways has He done this?
5. How has acknowledging your sins brought you into a closer relationship with God?

Chapter 3

1. Do you tend to apologize to God for your life?
2. Do you believe that God likes you and smiles whenever He thinks about you?
3. When you think about having a First Love relationship with Jesus, do you focus on His love for you, or primarily your love for Him?
4. When you think of the love of God, do you primarily think of your love for Him, or His love for you?
5. Do you believe God approves of you as much as He approves of Jesus?

Chapter 4

1. Do you take pleasure in your infirmities, reproaches, needs, persecutions, and distresses?
2. Have you ever blamed God for challenging events that have happened in your life?
3. Have you seen God deliver you from your distresses? If so, what?
4. Have you integrated the principle of dying to self in your present life?

5. Do you consider your personal relationship with Jesus more important than anything else in your life?

Chapter 5

1. Are you looking to anyone or anything to fulfill your life other than Jesus?
2. If you love God more than anything or anything else, and are committed to do His will more than your own, are you fully persuaded that everything that happens in your life will work for your good?
3. If you are married, do you expect 100 percent moral faithfulness from your spouse? Should God expect anything less from us?
4. When you experience a significant struggle or seeming setback in your life, how long does it usually take you to settle down emotionally and once again rest and trust in God?
5. Are you willing to die to your preference of how your life should turn out, and submit to God's plan for your life?

Chapter 6

1. Are you willing to break the silence and share with others what God has done in your life?
2. Have you ever written down your personal testimony?
3. Do you live a transparent life and share your weaknesses with others?
4. If so, what are your greatest weaknesses?
5. The areas in my life I am most concerned will hinder me from fulfilling God's will are _____. Please list candidly.

Chapter 7

1. How much do you trust God?
2. How successful are you in placing your cares on God?
3. What is the biggest regret of your life? Have you come to terms with it?
4. Have you decided to love your life?
5. Describe the heaviest storm in your life that brought the greatest blessing.

Chapter 8

1. Do you take pleasure in your suffering?
2. Is joy a significant part of your life?

3. Are the affections of your heart set on things above or on the earth?
4. Have you ever felt like you were drowning emotionally?
5. Would you consider yourself more of an optimist or a pessimist?

Chapter 9

1. Do you primarily focus on changing your shell (outer person) or your pearl (inner person)?
2. How effective would you be if you were God?
3. Do you presently blame God for certain challenging situations in your life?
4. Do you regularly laugh at the most difficult dimensions of your life?
5. Do you genuinely love the life God has given you?

Chapter 10

1. Do you love God more than anyone or anything else, and are you committed to doing His will more than your own?
2. Do you believe everything is working for your good in your life because you love God more than anyone or anything else, and because you are committed to doing His will more than your own?
3. Are you willing to whole-heartedly follow God whether or not you see the complete fulfillment of your hopes and dreams on this earth?
4. As you have grown closer to God, how has your understanding of His view of you changed?
5. Have you had unthinkable situations in your life that have strengthened your faith in God?

Chapter 11

1. Presently in your life, are you more attached to the end or to the process?
2. Are you presently abiding in an intimate relationship with Jesus?
3. What spiritual season of your life has had the greatest impact on your life: spring, summer, fall or winter?
4. Do you walk with a limp in your life?
5. Name some specific areas in your life that you have allowed God to prune.

What fruit has your obedience produced?

Chapter 12

1. Can you think of an obstacle in your life that was an opportunity in disguise?

Please describe.

2. Do you believe you are perfectly positioned for the rest of your life?

3. Do you wish you were someone other than who you are?

4. Is your Christian life an adventure in the making or a disaster in the making?

5. Do you believe God is giving you a new perspective for your life?