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I'm the Plug (Psalms 1:1-3)

God calls us to live a life that is beneficial to others.

Warmup: What benefits do trees provide for our habitat and for humanity?

READ Psalm 1:1-3, Jeremiah 17:7-8, Matthew 10:39

- Describe the characteristics of the blessed in Psalm 1:1-2? What figurative language is used to describe the person in v 3?
- What are the actions of the “blessed” in Jeremiah 17:7? Describe the benefit of strong trees with healthy roots. Summarize how you become the fruit bearing tree.
- What is God saying to you in these verses?

REFLECT

- Who benefits from the tree’s fruit, the tree, or other organisms? Explain this process in the life of a disciple, bearing fruit. How does the fruit of our labor benefit others?
- Evaluate your work ethic: does your effort and productivity increase when you are the one reaping all the benefit from your hard work, or do you apply equal effort and diligence to the job regardless of who is receiving the benefit of your productivity? Lastly, relate your answers to Matt 10:39.
- How does what Jesus is teaching you in these verses line up with your life?

RESPOND

- Who is benefitting from the “fruit” in your life? How are you sharing the reward of your productivity with others at church, and outside the walls of Covenant Grove?
- Pair up with a friend and brainstorm how many ways your productivity, the fruit from your labor, can benefit others. Now come back to the large group and share your ideas. Choose one idea save it to your cell phone calendar. Now text someone in your Life Group asking them to be your tail-kicker this week to ensure you follow through.
- How is the Spirit leading you to respond this week?

“To transform religious and irreligious people into Fully Devoted Followers of Christ.”