



# On Ramp Class

SESSION SIX

We all want our lives to matter, to make a difference in the bigger picture, to be a part of something greater beyond ourselves. The truth is, you are. You have a Father in Heaven who chooses you and has an eternal destiny for you. He loves you deeply and desires a relationship with you in the here and now...and He longs to spend an eternity with you in His heavenly kingdom.

We've talked about the lengths that God has gone to in order to redeem all people to Himself, including you. He paid the highest of prices, and He expects nothing from us but our hearts dedicated to Him. Accepting His free gift of grace is the smallest and simplest thing from us, but it has the most everlasting, deeply altering impact. It's time to stop running from God. Stop filling the holes in your heart with other things, lesser things. Stop trying to earn your way into His favor by perfecting yourself and your life from anxious desperation.

God is extending His hand of invitation to you. Will you take it?

And while His greatest desire is the redemption of your heart and soul, in a more temporal sense He has incredible plans for you during this life! The Lord would love to connect you more deeply into community and life-giving relationships with other followers of Jesus. He would be thrilled to see you using the gifts and skills He has given you, leveraging the life experiences He has taken you through, in order to make an eternal impact on other people for the sake of Jesus. He stands ready to help you live on mission, helping others see and experience the truth of His love.

**Because God has made us for Himself, our hearts are restless until they rest in Him.**

**- St. Augustine**

If you are ready for more, we are ready to help! As we draw our time toward a close, we want to support you in reflecting on potential next steps. How can we help you continue to grow, to connect on a deeper level, and how the church community can help you engage your faith even further!

Here's some questions to think about. If you're inclined to write out your answers, it only stands to help solidify and reinforce what you believe. As you come together with others, bring some of these thoughts ready to share, bringing your perspective and experience to the table. We appreciate hearing how God is leading you through this journey!

## Questions for Reflection:

- What do you think of the idea that God has a plan for your life?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- How can Parkway help you connect into deeper community?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Is there a particular type of group or life-stage you would enjoy connecting further with?

- Where could you see your gifts and passions utilized in the church or to help others?

- What will you take away from this OnRamp experience?

## From the Bible:

We'd love to take a bit to explore a relevant passage from our content this week. Take the time to read this passage, reflect on the questions, and bring some of your thoughts to the next class.

### Read: Ephesians 3:14-21

- What does this passage say God wants to do for you internally? Have you experienced this yet?

**The space where someone's need and your gifts meet is the space for service, and opportunity, and perhaps a calling. - Dr. Henry Cloud**

- What difference would it make in your everyday life if you truly understood and fully believed what Paul mentions in vv. 18-19?
- Do you feel like God is at work with the fullness of His power in your life?
- Where do you think the Lord is working right now?