

Morning Star Church
Small Group Study Guide
Directionally Challenged, # 2 Should've Seen It Coming
January 9-10, 2010

Message Synopsis: Pastor Mike continued our current series, *Directionally Challenged*, this past weekend. He challenged us to consider that maturity teaches us to connect the dots between the choices we make today and the consequences we experience tomorrow. If we could only detach ourselves from the moment and view our lives from 10,000 feet up, then we could see the path we were selecting had predictable outcomes. Mike's challenge is for us *not* to live disconnected, to be aware through the power of the Spirit that we can live our lives purposefully.

Stop at the crossroads and look around. Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it.

Travel its path, and you will find rest for your souls.

Jeremiah 6:16, NLT

Additional passages to consider: Proverbs 7:6-27; 27:12; Jeremiah 6:16,17; Psalm 73

Questions to consider in your small group:

1. Pastor Mike used the illustration from the movie *Groundhog Day* about Phil Connors being stuck in the same day; share with your group any experience you have had of being stuck in the same outcome of decisions you have made.
2. Why do people have a disconnection when it comes to choosing a path that leads them away from where they want to go? How does this choice prove costly?
3. Read different translations of Jeremiah 6:16 and Psalm 73:17-24. What does God promise to His people when they seek out His direction?
4. Pastor Mike talked about evaluating where you are in *the next step on your spiritual journey*; share with your group what you consider to be your next step of growth in your journey in 2010.

Prayer Requests: