The World Spins Madly On Vol. 2 Week 1: It's Time to Burn the Plows

CCV Groups Discussion Guide

OPENING QUESTION:

Share a time when you felt God working in your life in the midst of the circumstances and chaos around you.

GROUPS <u>VIDEO GUIDE</u>

READ:

• <u>1 Kings 19:1-21</u>

DISCUSS:

- Have you ever felt called to something? Did your call come directly from God or through another person?
- Elijah's act of throwing his cloak on Elisha symbolizes a transfer of authority and the beginning of a mentoring relationship. How important is it for believers to have spiritual mentors in their lives? Share any personal experiences you may have had with mentors.
- In verse 20, Elisha asks for permission to say goodbye to his family before following Elijah. Are there commitments or loyalties in your life that are holding you back from fully committing to the Lord?
- What steps are you currently taking to equip and prepare the next generation of Christ-followers?
- Elisha's act of slaughtering his oxen and using the yoke and plow as fuel for a fire symbolizes a complete break from his former way of life. What are some things we might need to "burn the bridges" on to fully follow Christ?

PRAYER:

Identify and then pray for the people God has put in your circle who you could influence to take their next step of faith—Like what Elijah did for Elisha.

SCRIPTURES:

- Psalm 37:5, "Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act."
- Philippians 3:7-8, "But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ."
- Philippians 3:13, "Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead."
- Colossians 3:23, "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men."
- Luke 9:61–62, "Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family." Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."
- **Psalm 45:10-11**, "Hear, O daughter, and consider, and incline your ear: forget your people and your father's house and the king will desire your beauty. Since he is your lord, bow to him."
- Hebrews 6:1, "Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God."