Decision 3:
Be Ambitious about the Right Things

BIG IDEA

"Jesus talks about the kingdom of God as the deepest reality. . . . If you are ambitious about the wrong things, you will be hit good and hard by reality." (p113)

HUDDLE UP

Name an example of something you've invested it that turned out to be worthless. What was attractive in that? How did you come to see the truth?

How do you decide what's most important?

What does healthy ambition look like?

FROM DECISION 3

"You will struggle with feeling meaningless when you choose to invest your time and energy in meaningless things. . . . What I'm talking about are things that don't add value to anyone's life. We are created to add value to things." (p114)

"In order to avoid falling into the pervasive sense of meaninglessness of our culture, I have to keep my mission in front of me, reminding myself again and again that I'm to be a keeper of the garden." (p115)

"Your wife may make more money than you. That could be threatening, but you don't need to be threatened *if* you remain engaged and forward moving about things that have deep value." (p119)

"[Your job] is wonderful. Even if it's terrible. Even terrible jobs make us serve people. In fact, that's what you're being paid to do—serve people. . . . You're being paid to be a help to people." (p125)

"*Wow, that's beautiful! And I don't have to have it. . . . I don't need to possess everything that's beautiful.*" (p133)

KEY QUESTION

What are you living for and how is it going?

NEXT STEPS

In your area of growth (see "GOOD WORK" section, page 10) what is one thing you can do to have the right ambitions?

"Make it Stick" Tip...
Use good old fashioned sticky notes to put reminders of your tasks and goals where you will see them often. Bathroom mirrors, dashboard of your car, wall next to your computer screen. Seeing your goals often will help them come to mind more often as you become who God wants you to be.

PRAYERS / NOTES FOR NEXT TIME

What prayers or thoughts do you have in this area of your life?
How can this group help you?