



Built to Last, Week 3

In David's last teaching series as senior pastor, we'll look back over his previous three decades of ministry at LCBC and what we can learn about living a life of enduring purpose.

Conversation Starter: *Have some fun as you break the ice.*

- What is the longest time you've stayed in one job?
- What piece of advice would you give a younger you?

Key Scriptures: *Let God's word frame the conversation. Take a minute to read this selected passage together as a Group.*

- *Matthew 28:19-20; Romans 10:9-15; Ephesians 4:11-13; James 4:6*

Discussion Questions: *Pick a few questions below to guide your time.*

Starting Sharing: *Choose a question or two to create openness.*

- Who is someone who poured into your life and leadership?
- Do you consider ministry the job of a pastor or the role of the people? Why?
- Share a time you struggled with pride.

Start Thinking: *Choose a question or two to think critically about the subject.*

- How can good things get in the way of the most important things?
- Why is it so important to keep focused on our mission as a church? How have you experienced mission drift in other places of life?
- What makes pride the deepest of all human vices?

Make it Personal: *Choose a question or two to help you identify your best next step.*

- Name some ways you can invest in the lives of others through our church.
- Who is someone you want to pull into the lifeboat?
- How has serving at the church helped you to further invest in the mission of introducing people to Jesus?

Next Steps: *Everybody has a next step. Check out some ideas below to help you grow by doing.*

- **Follow Jesus-** Don't stop at knowing what Jesus says; instead, do what Jesus instructs as we allow him to be the leader of our lives.
- **Pray-** Pray for David and Ruth as they end this season of leadership at LCBC. Ask God to give us a renewed passion for our mission and unity as a church.

Prayer: *Invite God to do what only He can do!*

Heavenly Father, thank you for building your church! We are so grateful to participate in what you are doing in Pennsylvania and worldwide!