

Transformers

Transformed by Music

Thursday, 16 Sep 2004
Living for God

—Opening Prayer and Introductions

—The Purpose of this Small Group

—Music Video: Switchfoot — “Meant to Live”

Fumbling his confidence
And wondering why the world has passed him by
Hoping that he's bent for more than arguments
And failed attempts to fly, fly

We were meant to live for so much more
Have we lost ourselves?
Somewhere we live inside
Somewhere we live inside
We were meant to live for so much more
Have we lost ourselves?
Somewhere we live inside

Dreaming about Providence
And whether mice or men have second tries
Maybe we've been livin with our eyes half open
Maybe we're bent and broken, broken

We were meant to live for so much more
Have we lost ourselves?
Somewhere we live inside
Somewhere we live inside
We were meant to live for so much more
Have we lost ourselves?
Somewhere we live inside

We want more than this world's got to offer
We want more than this world's got to offer
We want more than the wars of our fathers
And everything inside screams for second life yeah

We were meant to live for so much more
Have we lost ourselves?
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We were meant to live for so much more

—Discussion

- 1) What are some of the things that people in general are living for? What are their motivations?
- 2) How do you think those people would interpret the phrase "We were meant to live for so much more"?
- 3) At the end Switchfoot says "We want more than this world's got to offer". What do we want that the world cannot give?
- 4) This world cannot satisfy us—we will always be left longing for more. How do we fill that longing?
- 5) What does it mean to live for God? How do we do it?
- 6) What is the "something more" that God wants us to live for? Read John 17:13-26.
- 7) Let's look at how people in the Bible would answer these questions:
 - Solomon. Eccl. 12:13
 - David. Psalm 17:15. 1 John 3:1-3
 - Asaph. Psalm 73:23-26
 - Paul. Phil 3:7-11

—Letter to Yourself: What would you want to tell yourself 6 months from now? Include things like:

- What you're wearing today
- What your hair style is today
- Who your favorite movie stars are
- What type of music/bands you listen to
- The hardest class you have this semester and what grade you think you'll get
- Whether or not you like Transportation Services and why
- Something you are uncertain about
- Something you are afraid of
- Something that makes you happy
- The worst thing that happened to you today
- Something you want to change
- Something you've been praying about
- Something you want to accomplish this semester
- Additional notes or comments about your life right now

—Closing Prayer / Prayer Groups