

A Woman of Influence

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Key Scripture

*Be very careful, then, how you live—
not as unwise but as wise, making the
most of every opportunity, because
the days are evil.*

Eph 5:15-16

Why should we care about our influence?

1. God has made us to be women of influence.

You are the light of the world.
Matt. 5:14

2. Behind the scenes influencing matters.

*... your sincere faith, which first lived
in your grandmother Lois and in your
mother Eunice...now lives in you also.*
2 Tim 1:5

3. Let's influence others for Christ.

*As iron sharpens iron,
so one person sharpens another.*

Prov 27:17

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For personal reflection or group discussion.

Get talking. Loosen up with lighthearted conversation.

- What is something you remember praying for as a child. Did you receive it?
- Share about someone who influenced you who may not have even realized they did.

Start thinking. Ask questions to get your group thinking.

- Rachel shared three reasons we should be intentional about our influence in the video teaching (see the column on the left). Which one did you need to hear the most today?

Start sharing. Choose questions that create openness.

- Why do you think that Rachel said in the video teaching that being a wallflower or trying to be the center of attention can both be selfish?
- Does the fact that God gave the Israelites their much-wanted king even though it wasn't the best thing for them cause you to question God's goodness? Why or why not?
- David initially hid his sins. Why do you think we are so tempted to hide our sins even though bringing them to light will mean true freedom?

Review workbook activities. (Share even more as time allows).

- Review page 209 in your workbook. What do you notice about God as king versus earthly kings? Does this still ring true of leaders today?
- On page 230 which verses from Psalm 51 did you copy as being the most meaningful to you? Why do you think those verses spoke to you?
- Page 232 had you identify struggles and generate ideas of positive behaviors to replace your negative ones. Which is God calling you to repent of today?

Start doing. Commit to a step, and live it out this week.

- Take a practical step towards making the most of your influence this week—choose one of these action steps:
 - Slam the brakes on your negative behaviors from pages 232-233, replacing them with God-honoring ways to influence others.
 - Consult your list from page 238 in the workbook before tackling the situation you're called to influence.