

THE DIVINE MENTOR
Growing Your Faith as You Sit at the Feet of the Savior

Discussion Questions Week #1 (January 27th - February 2nd)

Reading Assignment: Prologue, Introduction, Chapters 1, &2 (pages 1-38)

NOTE TO LEADER: Don't feel as though you need to ask every question below. Pick one or two discussion questions from each chapter that you believe will be most helpful in facilitating discussion and promoting application for you and your group.

Introduction:

- Who from the Bible has taught, encouraged, or trained you most?
- Have you ever been mentored? Who was/is your mentor?
- What are the benefits that Wayne Cordeiro mentions to having biblical mentors in your life?

Chapter 1: Sacred Enclosures

- What is the life lesson we learned from the Sequoias?
- How did the biblical mentor Jeremiah influence Wayne Cordeiro's life? Does Cordeiro's life example resonate with you in any way?
- Who do you know that may feel weary, fed up, and ready to cash it all in? Have you ever felt that way? If so, when, and what were the circumstances that caused you to feel that way?
- What kind of "foot traffic do you deal with every day?
- What would a "sacred enclosure" around the roots of your soul look like?
- Read as a group Luke 10:38-42 (*The Divine Mentor*, p. 20). Are you normally more like Mary or Martha as described in this story?
- What does Wayne Cordeiro say is the one "essential" in our lives (see page 22)?

Chapter 2: You Don't Have What It Takes

- Tell your group about a time in your life when you were overwhelmed – when you knew you didn't have what it takes.
- Where do you go for help (for wisdom, strength, encouragement) when you are in over your head?
- What are the two instructors of wisdom in our lives (page 28)? Which of the two have you learned the most from?
- What life lesson (wisdom) have you learned the hard way? What wisdom have you gained from the consequences of others?
- What two pains does Wayne Cordeiro talk about? Which of the two pains has the greater cost?
- How much would the wisdom of the ages be worth to you?
- Have you ever viewed the Bible as a collection of ageless wisdom? How valuable is the Bible to you?
- Has the Bible helped you live your life better? If so, how – give an example?