

## **PMC SERMON "LIVE IT OUT" GUIDE**

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Text: Proverbs 20:27-29

Title: Does Integrity always Win?

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Series: Shining Like Stars

**[For Group Leaders:** The following serves only as a guide. Please feel free to adapt according to the needs of your group.]

### **1. SERMON RECAP**

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- a. Implicit to the question "Does Integrity Always Win?" is really the question "How far we are willing to go for God?"
- b. In some areas, we compromise on integrity when we consider the costs too high to pay.
- c. Integrity encompasses oneness with the heart of God in all spheres of our lives regardless of our situation.

### **2. LIVE IT OUT**

- a. Break out in small groups of 2 or 3, and discuss an area of your life (refer to list below) where oneness with God's heart is lacking.
  - Relationships with others
  - Finance and personal resources
  - Use of Time
  - Stewardship of company resources
  - i. What does it cost you to uphold integrity in this area?
  - ii. What could also be the 'wins' if we honor God with integrity despite the cost involved?
  - iii. What practical steps can we take to move forward with integrity?
- b. What were some moments in your life that demonstrated integrity? Conversely, were there other moments when you found yourself wanting? What factors made the difference? Share specifically.
- c. Compare the "internal wins" of integrity (knowledge, character, peace of mind) with "external wins" (reward, prosperity, promotion, recognition). List down the reasons why "external wins" are more attractive. To every of these reasons, suggest biblical principles we can adopt to resist the temptation to compromise.

3. **PRAY**

- a. Pray for group members who might be struggling in their work or workplace (esp. in areas of honesty and integrity). Ask them to share, and pray for them specifically.

4. **GOING DEEPER**

- a. Our speaker said that "truth is one of the conduits of worship ... a compromise of truths (or integrity) compromises our relationship with God." Do you agree with this statement? Share your own experience, if any.

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