

The Circle Maker  
Session 1  
Discussion Outline

“The greatest moments in Life are the miraculous moments when human impotence and divine omnipotence intersect-and this happens when we draw a circle around impossible situations in our lives and invite God to intervene.” Mark Batterson

In this 4 week session we will learn how God wants to do exceeding more in each of our lives in claiming His promises, pursuing His dreams and seizing His opportunities. We will learn how to draw prayer circles around our biggest dreams and our greatest fears. We will learn how to see the power of God in our prayers. God is honored by our bold prayers. He is not honored by anything less. Together, let us discover the power of being a **Circle Maker**.

**Ice Breaker Question**

What have you done or have thought about doing that was risky or extreme? Why did you or would want to do something like that?

“Who you become is determined by how you pray? Ultimately, the transcript of your prayers becomes the script of your life.” Mark Batterson

**Watch The Video**

**Discussion Questions**

1. Mark shares his story about feeling under qualified and overwhelmed when he started National Community Church. Tell of a time when you felt that way?

**Read Numbers 13:26-33**

What was the land like that God called Joshua and the people of Israel to take as their own? What was their task and would prayer have been an essential part of accomplishing it?

2. Take some time and draw a map or picture of an area, relationship, goal, or something else that you believe God wants you to circle in prayer. Make it simple.

Now write down three or four prayers that you can begin to pray around this circle.

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“I believe that every blessing, every breakthrough, every miracle, and every dream has a genealogy. If you trace it all the way back to its origin, you will find a prayer circle.” Mark Batterson

3. Reflect back on the persons who have been praying for you. Write down their names. Create a prayer genealogy.

A blessing I received:

The person who was praying for me was:

4. Who are you praying for regularly and how are your prayers impacting the lives of these people? How can you be more intense and more specific in your bold prayers for them?

Read James 4:1-3

5. How do you respond to the idea that some things don't happen because we choose not to pray and circle these things? What might be an example of something we would miss because we make a choice not to pray?

**Read Joshua 6:1-5**

6. **What is your Jericho right now?** This can be a lot of different things: Health, children, marriage, etc. Can you share with the group?

**Pray for each other: Well developed faith results in well defined prayers and well defined prayers result in a well lived life. Pray Bold and specific Prayers!**