

## Life Group Discussion Material - Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> Message

### Refining Faith Character Study: 2 Chronicles 34

#### *Refine Your Faith*

1. Discuss the cultural/religious climate that surrounded King Josiah's claim to the throne. Briefly read through 2 Chronicles 33 if you need a reminder.
2. How does the cultural/religious climate of King Josiah's early rule compare to how you have been brought into our cultural/religious climate from childhood?  
*Note: There may be different answers as the age difference increases*
3. Regardless of your previous answer, how are we all being affected by the current cultural/religious climate today?
4. Read 2 Chronicles 34:3-7. How does Josiah's response to destroying the "high places" and the "altars" that were ungodly encourage you to stand against sin, both personal and public? Do you need to take a firmer stance?
5. In verses 8-13, Josiah made God's house (the public worship of God) a priority. How does making "God's house" look in your life today? Are you more concerned with building God's house or your own house?
6. When you hear or read God's word and something in it convicts you, how do you respond? Do you lean more toward the attitude of Josiah, who tore his clothes and fell down before God in humility, or do you make excuses, try to justify yourself, or fall back on all of the "good" that you do? Read these:  
*1 Peter 5:5-6*  
*Proverbs 22:4*  
*Proverbs 11:2*  
*Luke 14:11*
7. Think of someone who encourages you in their faith. Is that person continually growing, enjoying, and humble in their faith? If refining faith is contagious, do you want to be known as the person that you just thought of? How do you get there from here?