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**SPOTLIGHT ON:** Discipleship Ministries

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What exactly is Elijah's Fire? This is the question I asked Josh Schmanke, leader of the men's prayer group called Elijah's Fire. He explained it like this: Elijah was an ordinary man who completely humbled himself before God in prayer. In response to this,

God sent down fire from heaven to bring glory to His name. This is the desire of Elijah's Fire. They are a men's prayer group that meets weekly in small groups to lift up the many concerns, individual and collective, that exist at Cedarville. This group is designed for men to take hold of the promises that God gives to those who seek Him.

"It's not just about the book. It's about the guys....in the end, the things we remember are the relationships." This is how Cody Fisher describes his experience leading a small group Bible study. He and six other guys, who also lead small group studies, are going through John Piper's book Don't Waste Your Life this fall. Cody chose to study this book

because he is passionate about reaching the world for Christ. But although this book is life-changing, Cody says that the most rewarding part of small group Bible studies for him is the relationships that are built. Guys in his group feel the freedom to "become totally vulnerable with each other."

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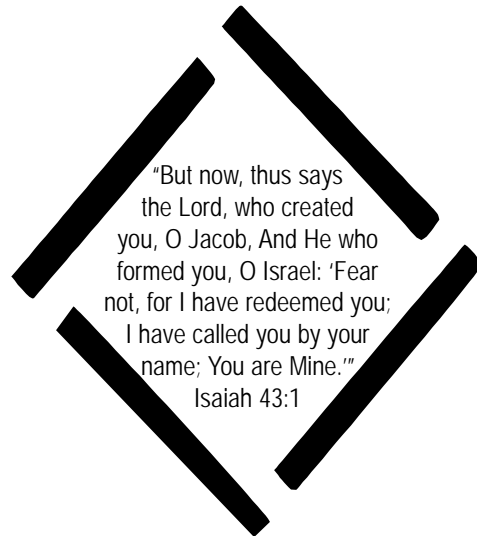
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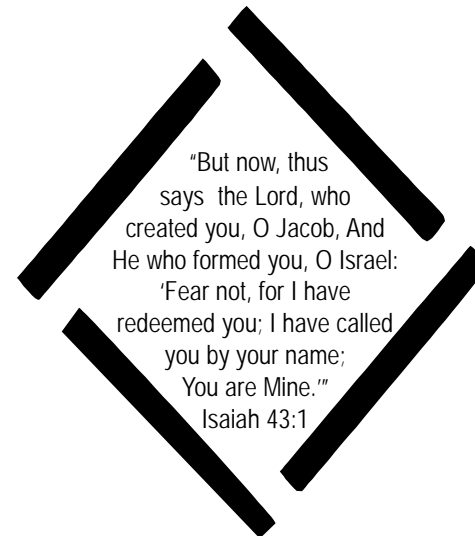
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