

this sunday

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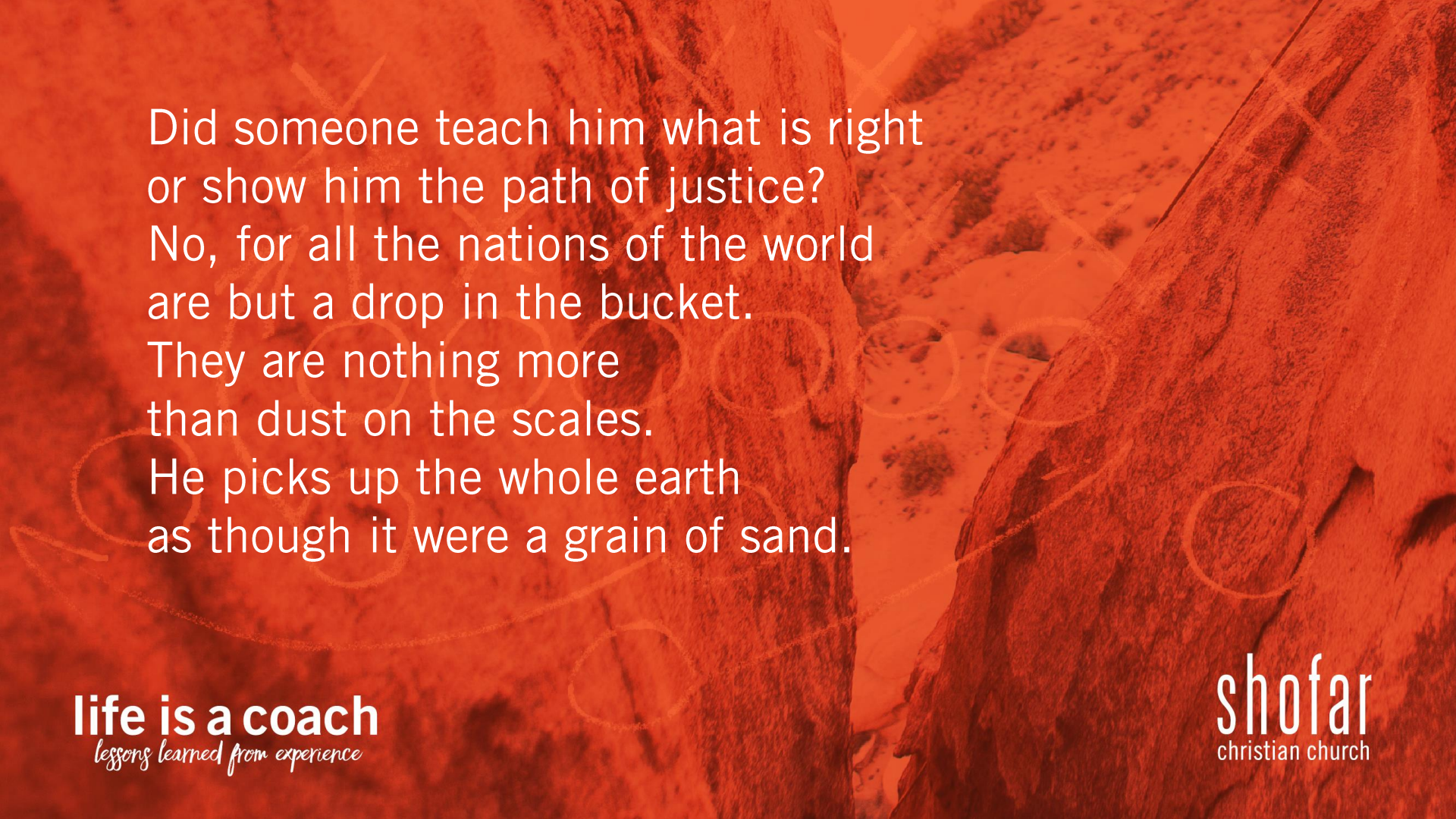
We know very little...

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Isaiah 40:12–15 (NLT)

Who else has held the oceans in his hand?
Who has measured off the heavens with his fingers?
Who else knows the weight of the earth
or has weighed the mountains and hills on a scale?
Who is able to advise the Spirit of the Lord?
Who knows enough to give him advice or teach him?
Has the Lord ever needed anyone's advice?
Does he need instruction about what is good?



Did someone teach him what is right
or show him the path of justice?
No, for all the nations of the world
are but a drop in the bucket.
They are nothing more
than dust on the scales.
He picks up the whole earth
as though it were a grain of sand.

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Even a cat's brain smokes the newest iPad -
1,000 times more data storage and a million
times quicker to act on it.

- Scientific American

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It takes a focused team...

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Genesis 11:5–6 (NLT)

But the Lord came down to look at the city and the tower the people were building. “Look!” he said. “The people are united, and they all speak the same language.” After this, nothing they set out to do will be impossible for them!

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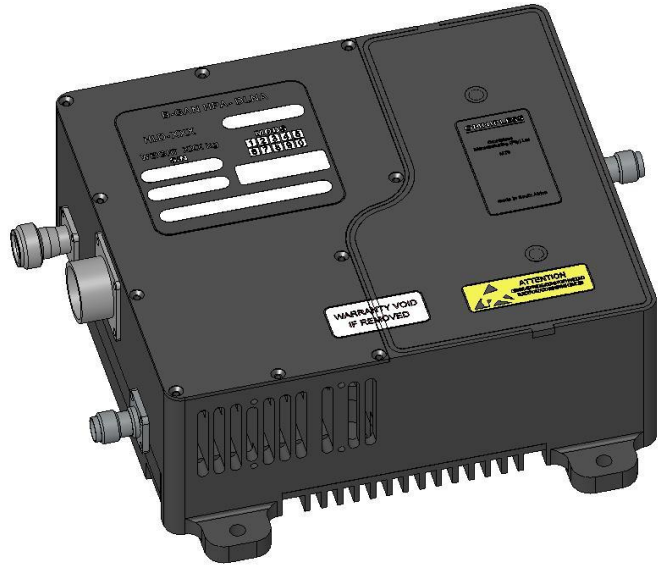
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Practice makes perfect

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4th iteration



7th iteration

Corinthians 4:16–18 (ESV)

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.



It's not all about winning...

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Proverbs 14:12 (ESV)

There is a way that seems right to a man,
but its end is the way to death.

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Stay Honest...

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Matthew 5:37 (NLT)

Just say a simple, 'Yes, I will,' or 'No, I won't.'
Anything beyond this is from the evil one.

Proverbs 28:6 (ESV)

Better is a poor man who walks in his integrity
than a rich man who is crooked in his ways.



What if there is more?

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Exodus 35:30-33 (NLT)

Then Moses said to the people of Israel, “See, the Lord has called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; and he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with skill, with intelligence, with knowledge, and with all craftsmanship, to devise artistic designs, to work in gold and silver and bronze, in cutting stones for setting, and in carving wood, for work in every skilled craft.

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Weekly small group notes from Sunday Sermon (Duration - 1 to 1.5hrs)

1. Welcome: Introduce SG to visitors and ask group to share on the following: How does your knowledge and experience of how the world works influence your thoughts about God?
2. Worship together: 1 or 2 Worship Songs / open SG in prayer asking the Father to reveal to us His understanding when it comes to how this world works and how we should steward His creativity.
3. SG Questions: (let 2 or 3 people answer a specific question and give everyone a turn)
 - a) Knowledge: Read Isaiah 40:12-15, Have you ever felt that you are qualified to advice God on how to run the planet or a specific situation? What would the right approach to God be when faced with a situation we don't understand/ agree with?
 - b) Teamwork: Read Genesis 11:5-6, Can we do anything of significant complexity on our own? How does that reflect on the two pillar institutions (Family & Church) of the Kingdom that God calls us to uphold.
 - c) Perfecting: Read Corinthians 4:16–18, Have you ever created something and then did it again trying to make it better and was the final product rewarding? Remind people God is still perfecting is if we allow Him to.
 - d) Ethics: Read Proverbs 14:12 & Proverbs 28:6, Do you think God wants us to have success even if it is at the expense of others? Why would a Christian make a verbal commitment and then not keep it?– is it acceptable to God?
- 4: Finish off by reading Exodus 35:30-33 and praying over each other that God would bestow the Spirit of skill, intelligence, knowledge, and all craftsmanship over each member of the SG to build His Kingdom!