

## WHO'S UP NEXT?

### I. Check-In

- Check in. How is everyone doing?
- Last week's challenge:
  - Spend some time talking about ways that you can be that prophetic voice for others in our church, your small group, and the community?

### II. Scripture

12 The Lord said to Moses, "Go up this mountain, Abarim, and look at the land that I've given to the Israelites. 13 You will see it and then join your ancestors just as Aaron your brother has, 14 because in the Zin desert, when the community confronted you, you rebelled against my command to show them my holiness by means of the water." (These are the waters of Meribah[a] of Kadesh in the Zin desert.)

15 Moses spoke to the Lord: 16 "Let the Lord, the God of all living things, appoint someone over the community 17 who will go out before them and return before them, someone who will lead them out and bring them back, so that the Lord's community won't be like sheep without their shepherd." 18 The Lord said to Moses, "Take Joshua, Nun's son, a man who has the spirit, and lay your hand on him. 19 Place him before Eleazar the priest and the entire community and commission him before them. 20 You will give him some of your power so that the entire Israelite community may obey. 21 He will stand before Eleazar the priest, who will determine for him the decision by lot before the Lord. At his command, he and all the Israelites with him, the entire community, will go out, and at his command they will return."

22 Moses did as the Lord commanded him. He took Joshua and placed him before Eleazar the priest and the entire community. 23 He laid his hands on him and commissioned him as the Lord had spoken through Moses.

**Numbers 27:12-23 (CEB)**

### V. Prayer Requests

Spend some time sharing prayer requests with each other. As the small group leader, we ask that you do two things:

1. write them down
2. ask someone to pray

### IV. Challenge

Pastor Fernie says this: the promised land that new leaders will lead us into is going to surprise us every single time.

**This week think about some ways that you can make room for new vision and new leadership so that others can lead Mid City Church into whatever is next?**

### III. Discussion Questions

- What initial thoughts do you have about the scripture for this week?
- Have you experienced a major transition before? It could be at school, at work, etc. What was the most difficult thing about welcoming new leadership?
- In what ways did the transition surprise you? (both positive and negative experiences)
- How can you help whoever is up next to lead effectively rather than critique their differences?
- Our scripture tells us three things to do during transitions: (1) speak/pray to God, (2) listen to the people that God places in your heart, and (3) affirm what God is saying to you publically. How can you work on these things as a group?