



Introduction

Pastor John continues our When Leadership Feels Like a Four-Letter Word series talking about having margin in our lives. Margin is the buffer between where you are **on the rope** and the **end of your rope**. Leading with no margin in our lives creates a life-draining leader instead of a life-giving leader. It's is the place where priorities get stacked and emotions and responses get checked; it's the space where God's voice gets clear.

Discussion

- 1. Have you ever felt like you were at the end of your rope in a leadership position? How well did you lead? How did the people who followed you respond to you?
- 2. **Read Mark 1:35-39.** How did Jesus respond to his disciples' exclamation, "Everyone is looking for you"? How does Jesus' decision show margin to his disciples?
- 3. What are some ways you create margin in your life? How does this affect your leadership?
- 4. Thinking about the suggestions from your Campus Pastor on ways to create margin, which ones resonate with you? Which ones would you like to try? As a group, pray for creating and maintaining margin in your leadership this week.

Take Action

- 1. Try one or more of the suggestions from your Campus Pastor for creating margin in your life. Journal how that goes and share with your group next week.
- 2. Pray for those in your circle who you think are leading at the end of their rope. Ask them how you can come alongside them to help create margin in their lives.
- 3. Take time this week to read about how Jesus created margin in His life.

Resources

- 1. Check out this short video on RightNow Media entitled "What is Soul Weariness?"
- 2. Self Leadership, available on RightNow Media
- The Emotionally Healthy Leader: How Transforming Your Inner Life Will Deeply Transform Your Church, Team, and the World, by Peter Scazzero, available on Amazon