

## **Ladies for Jesus Thursday Night Bible Study**

Companion Book: Radical by David Platt

Chapter Four: *The Great Why of God* Emailed: Wednesday, January 4, 2012:

This chapter is PACKED with statements and thoughts that we can reflect upon. I have pulled a few of them below for us to consider, but there are many more within the context of the chapter.

- God gave His people His image for a reason so that they might multiply His image throughout the world. (pg. 65)
- God blessed His people in a miraculous way so that His salvation would be made known among all people. (pg. 66)
- We live in a church culture that has a dangerous tendency to disconnect the grace of God from the glory of God. (pg.69)
- ... while the wonder of grace is worthy of our attention, if that grace is disconnected from its purpose, the sad result is a self-centered Christianity that bypasses the heart of God. (pg. 69-70)
- The message of biblical Christianity is "God loves me so that I might make Him His ways, His salvation, His glory, and His greatness known among all nations." Now God is the object of our faith, and Christianity centers around Him. We are not the end of the gospel: God is. (pg. 70-71)
- What if the very reason we have breath is because we have been saved for a global mission? And what if anything less than passionate involvement in global mission is actually selling God short by frustrating the very purpose for which He created us? (pg. 75)
- 4.5 billion people (in the world today) are separated from God in their sin and (assuming nothing changes) will spend an eternity in hell. (pg. 76)

With these statements (along with others in the chapter) in mind, consider these questions. . .

- Were you created for something much greater than the "American Dream?"
- What are you going to do with what God has given you?
- How are you going to use your influence, your leadership, and your resources in the world around you?

Reflecting with you, Kelly