



## ***Resilient — Group Discussion Questions***

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### **Session 2: Glory or Desolation**

*Ephesians 3:14-17: “When I think of all this, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God’s love and keep you strong.”*

1. The tragic opening story of Timothy Treadwell reveals that the world is a dangerous place. Do you live with that awareness? How so?
2. What impact has Desolation had on you in the past few years?
3. In Ephesians 3:17, Paul says that Christ will make his home in your heart. What does that mean in terms of what your heart now represents?
4. What supernatural graces—Scriptures, songs, or prayer practices—help you tap into the resources of God’s kingdom?

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John Eldredge is an author, a counselor, and a teacher. He is also president of *Wild at Heart*, a ministry devoted to helping people discover the heart of God, recover their own hearts in God's love, and learn to live in God's Kingdom. John grew up in the suburbs of Los Angeles (which he hated) and spent his boyhood summers on his grandfather’s cattle ranch in eastern Oregon (which he loved). John met his wife, Stasi, in a high school drama class. John earned his undergraduate degree in Theater at Cal Poly and directed a theater company in Los Angeles for several years before moving to Colorado with Focus on the Family, where he taught at the Focus on the Family Institute.

John earned his master’s degree in counseling from Colorado Christian University, under the direction of Larry Crabb and Dan Allender. He worked as a counselor in private practice before launching Wild at Heart in 2000. John and Stasi live in Colorado Springs. They have three sons (Samuel, Blaine, and Luke), two golden retrievers (Oban and Maisie), and two horses (Whistle and Kokolo).

John loves the outdoors passionately, and all beauty, Shakespeare, bow hunting, a good cigar, anything having to do with adventure, poetry, March Madness, working in the shop, fly fishing, classic rock, the Tetons, fish tacos, George MacDonald, green tea, buffalo steaks, dark chocolate, wild and open places, horses running, and too much more to name. He also uses the expression “far out” way too much.