



Living Faith Has Godly Wisdom

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CG Discussion Guide

CATCHING UP ON LIFE

This is when we update each other on the things that Jesus has been up to in our lives since we last saw each other. As A church family, we care about each other's lives: what we're celebrating, what we're mourning, what decisions we are praying through, and everything in between. (1 Thessalonians 2:8, Romans 12:10 and 15)
Suggested time: 10 minutes

- What can you thank God for this week?
- When were you most aware of Jesus' presence this week?
- When were you least aware of Jesus' presence this week?

REVIEW THE MISSION

Just like God the Father sent Jesus on a mission of reconciliation for us, Jesus sends us out as ambassadors of His reconciliation. We are called to make disciples wherever we go because Jesus changes everything. (John 20:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20) · *Suggested time: 10-15 minutes*

- People:
 - Who in your life (family, coworkers, etc.) can we join you in praying for? Who has God put around you that is showing spiritual interest? Who is hurting and could use some love from our group?
 - Who are the people we are intentionally living on mission with (neighbors, Serve CLT partner organizations, or a specific demographic in Charlotte)? What are our upcoming plans to love, serve, and build relationships with this group?
- Plan:
 - Are there any hangouts already planned, or an extra hangout we could plan to create a way for these friends to connect with our group?
- Pray:
 - Prayer is the fuel of God's mission. Let's pray for our people by name; pray for their needs, and opportunities to have spiritual conversations that help them take next steps toward Jesus.

SCRIPTURE AND SERMON DISCUSSION

God uses His Word to reveal Himself to us, equip us to live the good life He's designed for us, show us our sin, and strengthen us as we follow Him. We preach the Word on Sundays and apply it as a Community Group throughout the week. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Colossians 1:9-12 and James 1:22-25) · *Suggested Time: 30-40 minutes*

Leader Note - Here is the chart from Sunday's sermon:

	Worldly Wisdom	Godly Wisdom
Comes from:	World, Flesh, Devil	God
Centered on:	Self	God
Creates in us:	Jealousy + Selfish Ambition	Humility
Culminating in:	Disorder and Evil	Peace and Righteousness

Read James 3:13-18 and Recap the Sermon.

1. What stood out to you from the Scriptures or the sermon? What comforted you? What convicted you?

Read James 3:14-16.

2. Where do you see areas of your life where you are tempted to operate with worldly wisdom? How are you tempted to make these areas/situations centered around you, and how have you seen it lead to disorder and evil?

Read James 3:17-19

3. What is appealing to you about living with Godly wisdom? What makes you want to live with God at the center leading to humility, peace, and righteousness?
4. How have you seen Holy Spirit-produced godly wisdom in the past, whether in your life or in the life of someone else?

Read James 1:5 and Psalm 111:10.

In these verses, we see that two steps towards Godly wisdom are to (1) ask God and (2) fear God.

5. How can you take these next steps this week as you seek more wisdom? Is there a certain area of your life where you need to ask God for wisdom and learn to fear Him?

Time of Prayer.

6. Pray for our church - that we would be a church full of Godly wisdom - centering ourselves on God and living in humility, peace, and righteousness.

ENGAGE THE HEART

Jesus calls us to walk in the light, confessing our sins to God and each other. God's Spirit works through confession and community to lead us to repentance. (Romans 3:23-24, James 5:16 and 1 John 1:5-10)

Suggested Time: 30-45 minutes