

SOMETHING'S MISSING | WEEK 7

Date: November 20th, 2022

Verses: James 5



SERIES INSIGHT

There's a gap between invisible faith and visible faith, conviction and commitment, how we walk and how we talk, our doctrine and duty - the list goes on. Simply put, it's not enough to be hearers of the word, but to do something what it says (James 1:22-25), because faith without action is dead (James 2:17). **Something's Missing**, but the opportunity of faith calls us into a real living faith with Jesus not only as Savior, but Lord!

ICEBREAKER

- What is your favorite local restaurant? Or a restaurant you would say you “can’t live without”?
- What is something that you are extremely passionate about - something that keeps you awake at night thinking about it, and prone to wake up in the morning excited thinking about it again?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Review the Message.** Looking back at your notes and upon reflecting on this weekend’s message, what was your one takeaway from Sunday?
2. Take a moment to reflect on the past few weeks of this series so far... what has resonated or impacted you the most during this series in James?
3. Read James 4:17. Share a time when this was evident in your own life.
4. James 5:16 ends with “The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective” How has your prayer life been in 2022?
5. Considering your answer above and looking ahead to 2023, is there anything about your prayer life that you want to continue? Stop doing? Start doing?
6. Read James 5:13-17. This is a call to action, so go ahead.... Pray for those who are “in trouble, hurting, struggling” right NOW!
 - **Leader Note:** *This could be a great opportunity as a group to identify some core areas/groups that are a specific burden or emphasis for your group. Jot them down. Then, share them with your group and consider empowering members to continue praying for them regularly. You might even incorporate this into your regular group prayer time as well!*
7. Spend the remainder of your time sharing who you are inviting to Grace in this Christmas season and why. Then take time to pray for those people as well as any personal requests (prayer section below).
 - Who are you praying for to encounter Jesus?
 - What do you hope will happen?
 - What level of expectation do you have for God to move in this?

PRAYER

- Allow people to share requests and celebrate any praise reports as well. Consider having someone write down the requests to share with the group. Take time to pray however long your group needs.



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