REDEEM IT: ACCESS WHAT GOD HAS PROVIDED

Small Group Study Guide

1. PURPOSE AND LESSON SUMMARY

Purpose: Help believers recognize what God has provided in Christ, trust Him rather than visible limitations, and respond to His Word with faithful obedience.
Summary: Redemption is not a promise that God will grant every desire on demand. It is the foundation for confidence in His character, grace, presence, and provision. We learn what Scripture says, trust Jesus' finished work, act in faith, steward what we have, and follow God's calling.
Key texts: 2 Peter 1:3; Romans 8:32; Ephesians 3:20.

2. LESSON POINTS AND SMALL-GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Know What God Has Provided

Scriptures: 2 Peter 1:3; Ephesians 1:17–18; Philemon 6
God's Word teaches what He has given us in Christ, including forgiveness, grace, wisdom, strength to endure, and the Spirit's help. Knowing Scripture shapes our expectations and choices; it does not mean every desire is guaranteed.

Exposition: What do Ephesians 1:17–18 say Paul wants believers to understand, and how does that deepen our understanding of God's provision?

Personal application: What is one biblical truth about God's provision you need to remember and let shape a decision this week?

2. Remember the Price Was Paid by Jesus

Scriptures: Romans 8:32; 1 Peter 1:18–19; Hebrews 4:16; Ephesians 1:7
Our confidence rests on Jesus, not our ability to earn God's favor. His sacrifice brings redemption and access to the Father; it is not a way to demand whatever we want.

Exposition: How does Romans 8:32 connect God's gift of His Son with our confidence in His care?

Personal application: When facing a need or feeling unworthy, how could remembering Christ's sacrifice change the way you approach God?

3. Access What God Has Provided by Faith

Scriptures: Ephesians 2:8–10; James 2:17–18; Hebrews 11:6; Mark 11:22–24
Faith receives God's grace, trusts His Word, and responds in obedience. Prayer, seeking help, perseverance, and responsible action express trust; they do not purchase God's promises or control Him.

Exposition: How do Ephesians 2:8–10 and James 2:17–18 together explain the relationship between grace, faith, and action?

Personal application: What faithful next step—prayer, obedience, asking for help, or perseverance—do you need to take?

4. Don't Let What You See Set the Limit

Scriptures: Ephesians 3:20; 2 Corinthians 5:7; Isaiah 55:8–9; Proverbs 3:5–6
God's power is greater than what we can presently see, but His wisdom and timing remain His own. We can plan and act with faith while surrendering the outcome to Him.

Exposition: What does Ephesians 3:20 say about God's ability, and what does it identify as at work in believers?

Personal application: Where might you be treating present circumstances as the final word, and what would trusting God look like there?

5. Keep Your Treasure and Trust in the Right Place

Scriptures: Matthew 6:19–21, 31–33; Philippians 4:19; 2 Corinthians 9:8; Proverbs 21:5

God is our source, while money, people, work, and opportunities may be instruments He uses. Trust includes prayer, faithful work, wise planning, generosity, and stewardship—not passivity or a guarantee of a particular outcome.

Exposition: According to Matthew 6:19–21 and 31–33, how should our priorities and trust be ordered?

Personal application: What practical change could help you steward your resources faithfully while trusting God rather than making material things your security?

6. Walk in the Calling God Has Given You

Scriptures: Joshua 1:7–9; Psalm 1:1–3; Proverbs 16:3; James 1:5

God's provision equips us to follow His direction. We seek wisdom, remain in Scripture, seek godly counsel, and take the next faithful step rather than assuming every desired result is promised.

Exposition: What instructions and assurances appear in Joshua 1:7–9, and how are they connected to obedience?

Personal application: What is one area where you need to ask God for wisdom and then take a clear, obedient next step?

3. CALL TO ACTION AND AFFIRMATION

Call to action: This week, identify one need or challenge. Find what Scripture says, pray for wisdom, take one responsible step in obedience, and entrust the outcome and timing to God.

Affirmation: "God has provided in Christ what I need to follow His purpose. I will know His Word, trust His character, act in faith, steward what He places in my hands, and leave the outcome in His wisdom."

4. SCRIPTURE REFERENCE SECTION (KJV)

The passages below are written out in full for group reference. Scripture wording follows the King James Version (KJV).

2 Peter 1:3 — According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

Romans 8:32 — He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

Ephesians 3:20 — Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

Ephesians 1:17–18 — That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

Philemon 6 — That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

1 Peter 1:18–19 — Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;
But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

Hebrews 4:16 — Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Ephesians 1:7 — In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Ephesians 2:8–10 — For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
Not of works, lest any man should boast.
For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

James 2:17–18 — Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.
Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

Hebrews 11:6 — But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Mark 11:22–24 — And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.
For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.
Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

2 Corinthians 5:7 — (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)

Isaiah 55:8–9 — For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Proverbs 3:5–6 — Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Matthew 6:19–21 — Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:
For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Matthew 6:31–33 — Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?
(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.
But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Philippians 4:19 — But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

2 Corinthians 9:8 — And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

Proverbs 21:5 — The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want.

Joshua 1:7–9 — Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.
This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.
Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

Psalm 1:1–3 — Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.
But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.
And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Proverbs 16:3 — Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.

James 1:5 — If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.