

Welcome to **Living In The Goodness Of God!** Please feel free to adjust this study to fit your group's needs and to follow the direction of the Holy Spirit. It's not necessary to get through or use all of the questions.

Ice Breaker

If you could instantly become an expert in something, what would it be?

Message Clip

BEGIN WITH PRAYER THEN WATCH THE WEEKLY MESSAGE CLIP

- What stands out to you from this clip?
- How does this apply to your life?

Biblical Focus

READ THE WEEKLY VERSES TOGETHER

Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward.

1 Samuel 16:13A (AMP)

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:13 (NKJV)

Discussion Questions

- What do you think of the events surrounding David's anointing as king? (e.g., a prophet showing up to his house [see 1 Samuel 16:1-5], anointed in the presence of his family, the Holy Spirit coming on him).
- God has a destiny for each of us. Why is it so important to walk in what God has planned for us, rather than our own plans?
- Why is it so important to recognize that it is Christ who gives us strength, not ourselves?

Prayer Focus

TAKE PRAYER REQUESTS!

Ask the group to share prayer requests about what you feel God is calling you into (i.e., your destiny). After requests are shared, follow one of the following options . . .

Option A: If most of your group is comfortable with praying out loud, split into groups of two or three and have them pray for each other individually. Take time to follow the Holy Spirit's leading and empower the person to follow Jesus into their destiny!

Option B: If the majority of your group is not yet comfortable with praying out loud, simply lead the entire group in praying over each request. Don't hurry! Let the Holy Spirit move and speak in His timing!

(PRAYER TIP: Ask what people experienced during the prayer time. If they received a mental picture, word, or feeling during prayer, many times that is God! Encourage others to share what they experience.)

Want More?

Either in your LifeGroup OR on your own during the week, spend time with Jesus by doing the following exercise:

Step 1) Read Philippians 1:6 slowly at least 2 or 3 times until a word, or a phrase seems to be highlighted or "jumps off the page." This is God's promise to use when we are in the valley!

And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.
Philippians 1:6 (ESV)

Step 2) What word or phrase is God highlighting to you?

Step 3) Spend time turning those highlighted phrases or words into prayers back to God.