

MEMORY VERSE: John 13:35

By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

**ANNOUNCEMENT****Family Worship Night | November 20 | 6:30-8pm**

Parents and Students - You are invited for a special night of rockyouth! Join us Wednesday November 20th from 6:30-8pm for a family worship night. It's a great chance to learn alongside of your child and to model your own faith as we look at living a life of worship. We can't wait to see you there!

**OVERVIEW****BOTTOM LINE: TRUE DISCIPLES - FORGIVE & RESTORE**

Our friends and family are sinners, just like you and me. We all make mistakes, we all get selfish, we all hurt people we love; but the way we react after that hurt happens shows whether we are a True Disciple or not. We see in many of the things we have been reading so far that we are to put others needs before our own, turn the other cheek, pray for and love our enemies and ultimately forgive those who have wronged us just like Jesus did when we sinned against him and when our sin put him on the cross to die for us.

**DISCUSSION****TRUE DISCIPLES LOVE ONE ANOTHER! JOHN 13:35****HOW DID YOU FEED YOUR SOUL?**

- While you were reading the Word of God what did you learn?
 - What is something that stuck out from the reading this week?
 - What is something you learned that you didn't already know?
 - What questions did you have from the reading?
 - What did you study, research, or talk to others about as a result of the reading?
- What did you learn about people in the Bible who forgave others?
- What is reason we forgive someone who has wronged us? **RESTORE THE BROKEN RELATIONSHIP AND OUR OWN WALK WITH THE LORD**
- What do people see when we forgive someone who has wronged us? **THE GOSPEL**
- What is the problem with talking with people about the problem before you confront the person one on one? **GOSSIP**
- As you were reading, meditating and praying the Word of God, how did you apply what you read?

- What has God forgiven you of **(Be real and be specific. As a group, don't gossip about this)**?
- Who did the Holy Spirit lead you to forgive **(maybe its yourself or someone in this group)**?
- What stops you from forgiving them?

HOW DID YOU FEED YOUR FLESH?

- How did you struggle this week with anger/gossip/slander towards someone?
- Do you still have bitterness, anger, hurt, unforgiveness, etc... in your heart towards someone?
- What would Jesus do for that person?
- What specifically could you have done differently this week to change how you view the situation or person who hurt you?
- Do you feel you need forgiveness from others for something you have done? What do you need to do to make that possible?
- Throughout the week, what other sins were you tempted with that the Holy Spirit is showing you need to let go of? How can we pray for you and help you stay accountable to the Holy Spirit?
- How many times did you miss reading this week? If you didn't read this week, why? What can you change?

HOW DID YOU FEED OTHERS?

- How did you share your faith with a lost person or encourage another believer in their faith this week? Share any wins!!
- Did you feel stirred by the Holy Spirit to share your faith with a lost person or to encourage another believer this week and not do it? Why not?
- If you are not feeling led to share your faith or seeing chances to love others or repair relationships, why do you think that is? What will you change?



CHALLENGE

BOTTOM LINE: True Disciples FORGIVE & RESTORE

- Search your heart this week and if the Holy Spirit points out anyone who you are bitter towards, talk with them one on one and deal with your bitterness and anger this week.
- Choose one person you struggle to love or that you have feelings of bitterness, hate, or hurt towards. Commit to pray for them every day this week. Have someone keep you accountable.
- Read your Bible every day this week
- Memorize a verse or passage that the Holy Spirit speaks to you through
- Meditate, pray, journal about what you read
- Come back next week ready to talk about your week and **how you fed your SOUL? FLESH? OTHERS?**



TOPIC OVERVIEW

Week 7: True Disciples put away bitterness and division

Week 8: True Disciples put away anger, gossip and backbiting

Week 9: True Disciples confront sin and repent when sinning

Week 10: True Disciples forgive and restore friendships

Week 11: True Disciples live as a living sacrifice