



Welcome: Would you rather be the smartest or the funniest person in the room?

Worship: Have someone read Psalm 92 and pray as the Spirit of God leads you for your group.

Word: *Read Matthew 7:13-14*

1. Describe a time when you have been “swallowed-up” by the broad path- waking up to realize that you have strayed far away from God’s Words and/or purposes for you.

Read Matthew 7:15-19

2. What does it mean to say he/she is a “wolf in sheep’s clothing?”

3. How is such a fraudulent leader so appealing to people? How does that differ from the appeal of a true shepherd?

4. PBJ explained how fraudulent fruit could come in the form of visible results. What did he mean?

5. What “fruit” are we looking for in our leaders?

Read 2 Timothy 4:1-5

6. How are we, even when we do not lead, often responsible for our own deception?

Read Matthew 7:21-23

7. What does it really mean to “know” Him?

Witness: These passages are all a warning to us not to be a false disciple. We should all take the warnings seriously and evaluate our lives. Spend time this week in prayer asking:

- Are you taking the road less traveled?
- Do you have good fruit?
- Are your roots attached to Christ or is the seemingly good fruit a result of your own willpower?