



Dear Life Group Leaders,

Week number 6 is upon us! I am praying for you each by name this week. That you would know God loves you, has a plan for you that is overflowing with fulfillment, and that He is your rescue from every ill thing that comes against you. Thanks for leading strong with me!

I love you and appreciate your efforts to study, pray and be hospitable.

**Much love,
Pastor Ryan**

SEVEN [part 6] The Point of No Return

ICEBREAKER

What was most memorable from this week's message?

Read aloud *John 19: 30; Job 42: 1-5; Hebrews 12: 2*

DISCUSS

1. How many of you have ever said, "I just can't seem to get it all done?" How many of you have ever said, "I need more time?"

2. Jesus said in **John 4:34, I must FINISH the work that God gave me to do.** There is powerful value in Jesus example to know the will of the Father and do it. It appears that He had a very narrow focus, so that He stayed on mission. Does this inspire you? Can you think of something you can do to be a better finisher?

3. Describe a time in your life when you could relate to Job - a time when you questioned God or felt distant from Him in a time of pain. What did you learn through this difficult time?

4. Talk about the truth that God is all-powerful, all-knowing, and all-present. (**Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 4:13; Hebrews 13:5-6; Psalm 46**) How does this truth shape your view of Him? How can this truth speak into a season of pain?

5. Share a time in which you learned one of these valuable truths: I know that God loves me, I know that God has a plan for me, I know that God has my best in mind, or I know that God will bring me through. What circumstance brought about this lesson for you?

6. One of the things that distinctly separates Christianity from other world religions is this most powerful statement, "It is finished!" Can you put into your own words the difference between "do" and "done", as it relates to salvation?

7. Satan has two favorite ploys he uses on us. One of them is temptation and the other is condemnation. How does he use temptation? How does he use condemnation? After discussing read God's antidotes in **1 Corinthians 10:13, & Romans 8:1**.

8. How "in-step" do you feel with the Holy Spirit in this particular season of life? How are you doing? In light of this lesson where do you feel God directing you to shift?

NEXT STEPS

This week challenge your group to write out their own declaration of victory to help them through painful seasons. Share this simple template as a way to get started...

I know that God loves me - Lamentations 3: 21-23

I know that God wants the best for me - Romans 8:31-37

I know that God has a plan for me - Jeremiah 29:11

I know that God will bring me through - 2 Timothy 4:18

Each day in the coming week encourage your group to not only declare these truths but memorize the corresponding scriptures. Place value on action rather than just taking in information.

PRAY

Throughout the series we have made an emphasis of praying for people who do not yet have a personal relationship with Jesus. Continue this with a time of prayer this week by...

1. Speaking the name[s] of the people you know who need salvation.

2. Asking God to give you boldness and the right word at the right time to begin leading them to Jesus.

3. Commit in prayer and to one another to bring these friends to Church on Easter weekend.

Conclude by praying for one another.

