



LIFEgroup STUDY GUIDE

What you will need to supplement this guide:

1. A copy of the outline provided for notes on this message (copy from message or downloaded from the COASTAL APP).
2. A Bible or Bible APP to refer to verses.

PURSUING LIFE TOGETHER SUNDAY MESSAGE REVIEW

NOTE to the LIFEgroup Leader: This guide is provided as a tool to assist you in facilitating a structured discussion with your group. When used in conjunction with the outline notes and a Bible this tool will ensure that your group will *Engage Authentically*. The questions are merely recommended “talk starters”. It is important for you to let God help you navigate through the conversation as you *pursue life together* as a group.

OPEN IN PRAYER

STARTER QUESTIONS:

Where have you seen God at work in your life since we last met?

What stood out to you from the message this week?

MAIN IDEA:

- REVIEW THE MAIN TOPIC OF THE MESSAGE. Allow time for discussion
- READ THE MAIN SCRIPTURE FROM THE MESSAGE OUTLINE.

How did this verse speak to you in your life?

- REVIEW THE SUB-TOPICS of the MESSAGE.

Have someone read each of the verses that were highlighted in the message, and briefly discuss.

Is there an area that you feel God is speaking to you through this message?

FINAL THOUGHTS:

- SUMMARIZE the main idea of this message.

Would anyone like to share your thoughts about what we discussed today?

How can we pray for you as a group?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

REBUILD "God's Favor"

"And because the gracious hand of my God was on me, the king granted my requests."
Nehemiah 2:8 (NIV)

God's favor is God giving us the ability to do something which is seemingly impossible for us to do.

How do you position your life for God's Favor?

1. Get a God-Honoring Vision

"The king said to me, "What is it you want?" Nehemiah 2:4 (NIV)

The greatest blessings in life are not external or internal but eternal.

"The king said to me, "What is it you want?" Then I prayed to the God of heaven, and I answered the king..." Nehemiah 2:4-5 (NIV)

2. Spend time in God-Honoring Prayer

God-Honoring Prayers:

- Take time: (vs.4: *"for some days... I prayed before the God of heaven."*)
- Remind you of God's greatness (vs.5: *"...the great and awesome God."*)

"Then I said, "O LORD, God of heaven, the great and awesome God who keeps his covenant of unfailing love with those who love him and obey his commands, listen to my prayer! Look down and see me praying night and day for your people Israel."
Nehemiah 1:5-6a (NLT)

- Come from a clean heart (vs.6: *"I confess..."*)
- Are based on God's promises: (vs.8 *"Remember... (you said) I will gather them."*)

God takes your prayers seriously when you take His promises seriously.

“The Lord says, “I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you.” Psalms 32:8 (NLT)

“He renews my strength. He guides me along right paths, bringing honor to his name.” Psalms 23:3 (NLT)

“Yet I still belong to you; you hold my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, leading me to a glorious destiny.” Psalms 73:23-24 (NLT)

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- Are specific in nature. (vs.11: *“Give your servant success today...”*)