

# Life Group 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 Life Group 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

## DROP THE MIC "The Power of Words"

*"The heart of the godly thinks carefully before speaking; the mouth of the wicked overflows with evil words."* Proverbs 15:28 (NLT)

Evil "Words" to Avoid:

### 1. Lying

*"There are six things the Lord hates—no, seven: haughtiness, lying, murdering, plotting evil, eagerness to do wrong, a false witness, sowing discord among brothers."* Proverbs 6:19 (TLB)

*"An honest answer is the sign of a true friendship."* Pr. 24:26 (GN)

### 2. Gossiping

*"A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy person keeps a secret."* Proverbs 11:13 (NIV)

*"A perverse person stirs up conflict, and a gossip separates close friends."* Proverbs 16:28 (NIV)

*"If your fellow believer sins against you, you must go to that one privately and attempt to resolve the matter. If he responds, your relationship is restored."* Matthew 18:15 (TPT)

### 3. Put-downs

*"Some people make cutting remarks, but the words of the wise bring healing."* Proverbs 12:18 (NLT)

*"You're familiar with the command to the ancients, 'Do not murder.' I'm telling you that anyone who is so much as angry with a brother or sister is guilty of murder. Carelessly call a brother 'idiot!' and you just might find yourself hauled into court. Thoughtlessly yell 'stupid!' at a sister and you are on the brink of hellfire. The simple moral fact is that words kill."*  
Matthew 5:21-22 (Msg)

*"A word of encouragement does wonders!" Pr. 12:25 (LB)*

*"Out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks. The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him. But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken." Matthew 12:34-36 (NIV)*

Our words reflect our hearts.  
Our words matter!