

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
“Smart Money”

Spiritual Indicators to Predict Future Money Problems:

1. How satisfied am I with life right now?

"Indulging in luxuries, wine and rich food will never make you wealthy." Proverbs 21:17 (GN)

Steps to Financial Problems:

- Your yearnings exceed your earnings.
- Pretend you can afford it – and Extend so you can have it.
- Work twice as hard to make ends meet.
- Home life begins to deteriorate

"It is better to be satisfied with what you have than always be wanting something else."
Ecclesiastes 6:9 (GN)

Not Satisfied 1--2--3--4--5--6--7--8--9--10 Satisfied

2. Whose advice about finances am I listening to?

What advice does Proverbs give about finances?

- Dedicate it all to God.

"In everything you do, put God first, and He will direct you and crown your efforts with success."
Proverbs 3:6 (LB)

- Give the first part back to God.

"Honor the Lord by giving Him the first part of all your income, and He will fill your barns... to overflow!"
Proverbs 3:9-10 (LB)

- Save for the future

"The wise man saves for the future, but the foolish man spends whatever he gets."
Proverbs 21:20 (LB)

- Avoid killer debt

“The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is slave to the lender.” Proverbs 22:7 (TNIV)

The World 1--2--3--4--5--6--7--8--9--10 The Bible

3. Where do I find my ultimate security?

“You can go to bed without fear; you will lie down and sleep soundly. You need not be afraid of sudden disaster or the destruction that comes upon the wicked, for the Lord is your security.”
Proverbs 3:24-26 (NLT)

“If I have put my trust in money, if my happiness depends on wealth... it would mean that I have denied the God of heaven.”
Job 31:24, 28 (LB)

Financial Security 1--2--3--4--5--6--7--8--9--10 God Security

Practical Next Steps:

- Pray
- Give
- Sign up online for FPU (Starting Sept 10th) Tuesday evenings 6:30-8pm

“Stay away from the love of money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, ‘I will never fail you. I will never forsake you.’” Hebrews 13:5 (NLT)