



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

CLARITY
“The Law”

“Don’t misunderstand why I have come. I did not come to abolish the law of Moses or the writings of the prophets. No, I came to accomplish their purpose. I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, not even the smallest detail of God’s law will disappear until its purpose is achieved. So if you ignore the least commandment and teach others to do the same, you will be called the least in the Kingdom of Heaven. But anyone who obeys God’s laws and teaches them will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven. “But I warn you—unless your righteousness is better than the righteousness of the teachers of religious law and the Pharisees, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven!”

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- Why don’t we sacrifice animals anymore? Because Jesus was the ultimate and final sacrifice for all of sin for all of time.
- Why don’t we worship at the temple in Jerusalem? Because Jesus has put his Holy Spirit in our hearts.
- Why don’t we go through a high priest to get to God anymore? Because Jesus is our High Priest.

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Matt 5:20 (NLT)

Our Problem:

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

Romans 3:23 (NIV)

“And the person who keeps every law of God but makes one little slip is just as guilty as the person who has broken every law there is.”
James 2:10 (TLB)

“Your eyes are too pure to look on evil; you cannot tolerate wrongdoing.”
Habakkuk 1:13 (NIV)

3 critical lessons that the OT laws teach us...

1. We're Sinful
2. We're Hopeless
3. The Law points to Christ as God's solution for my sin problem...

“Therefore the Law has become our tutor {to lead us} to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith.”
Gal 3:24 (NAU)

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”
John 3:16 (NIV)