

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 Fear of God"
Proverbs 1:7

I. "If we don't fear God, we don't know God."

A. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction."
Proverbs 1:7 (ESV)

II. What does it mean to fear God?

A. Obey Him

1. "...that you may fear the LORD your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long." Deuteronomy 6:2 (ESV)

2. "And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul." Deuteronomy 10:12 (ESV)

B. Acknowledge Him for who He truly is - (acknowledge - to accept or admit the existence or truth of something).

III. The fear of God will change what I want!

A. "You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions." James 4:2b-3 (ESV)

B. When was the last time that we truly and honestly asked God if He wants what we want?

IV. The fear of God will change your will!!!

A. Jesus truly feared God!

1. "Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." - Philippians 2:5-8 (ESV)

2. "My Father if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will." Matthew 26:39 (ESV)

3. When is the last time you truly surrendered to the will of God in your life, especially when it wasn't what you wanted?

a) Jesus' fear of God took Him all the way to the cross. Where will you allow your fear of God to take you?

V. The fear of God will change your worship!

A. "But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." John 4:23-24 (ESV)

B. Spirit and truth means the HEAD AND THE HEART!

1. When is the last time you worshipped God with emotion?

“Worship must be vital and real in the heart, and worship must rest on a true perception of God. There must be spirit and there must be truth. . . . Truth without emotion produces dead orthodoxy and a church full (or half-full) of artificial admirers On the other hand, emotion without truth produces empty frenzy and cultivates shallow people who refuse the discipline of rigorous thought. But true worship comes from people who are deeply emotional and who love deep and sound doctrine. Strong affections for God rooted in truth are the bone and marrow of biblical worship.” - John Piper

VI. Where will the fear of God take you?