

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
“Temptation”

There is always more at stake with temptation than you think.

“The Lord knows how to rescue the godly from temptation...” 2 Peter 2:9 (NASB)

*“While I was at the window of my house, looking through the curtain, I saw some naive young men, and one in particular who lacked common sense. He was crossing the street **near** the house of an immoral woman, strolling down the path by her house. It was at twilight, in the evening, as deep darkness fell.”* Proverbs 7:6-8 (NLT)

Proximity: getting too close to something that tempts you.

Temptation Triggers: hooks that capture your attention and magnifies temptation’s reward

- Visual Triggers

“The woman approached him, seductively dressed and sly of heart.” (vs.10)

- Physical Triggers

“She threw her arms around him and kissed him...” (vs.13)

“You’re the one I was looking for! I came out to find you, and here you are!” (vs.15)

- Emotional Triggers

“My bed is spread with beautiful blankets, with colored sheets of Egyptian linen. I’ve perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon. Come, let’s drink our fill of love until morning. Let’s enjoy each other’s caresses...” (vs.17-18)

- Imagination Triggers

Resistance Barriers: roadblocks that limit temptation's power

- How likely am I to get caught?

"My husband is not home. He's away on a long trip. He has taken a wallet full of money with him and won't return until later this month." (vs.19-20)

- What does God think about this?

"I've just made my peace offerings and fulfilled my vows." (vs.14)

"So she seduced him with her pretty speech and enticed him with her flattery. He followed her at once, like an ox going to the slaughter. He was like a stag caught in a trap, awaiting the arrow that would pierce its heart. He was like a bird flying into a snare, little knowing it would cost him his life." Proverbs 7:21-23 (NLT)

"Come now, let's settle this," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool."

Isaiah 1:18 (NLT)