



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

HOLY HABITS
“Representing Jesus”

God wants us to “... *be conformed to the image of His Son.*”

Romans 8:29 (NIV)

“*God has given us the task of telling everyone what he is doing. We’re **Christ’s representatives**. God uses us to persuade men and women.*”

2 Corinthians 5:20 (MSG)

“Christian” means “Little Christ”

Jesus commanded us to be His representatives in this world:

Matthew 28:19-20: “*Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations.*”

Mark 16:15: “*You are to go into all the world and preach the good news to everyone everywhere.*”

Luke 24:47: “*With my authority take this message of repentance to all the nations beginning in Jerusalem. There is forgiveness of sins for all who turn to Me.*”

John 20:21: “*As the Father has sent Me, I am sending you.*”

Acts 1:8: “*You will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth.*”

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Witnessing is simply talking about what God has done in your life.

What has God done in your life?

- Forgiveness for the past

“*For God was in Christ, restoring the world to Himself, no longer counting men’s sins against them but **blotting them out**. This is the wonderful message He has given us to tell others.*”

2 Corinthians 5:19 (LB)

- Peace for the present

“*I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart! And the peace I give isn’t **fragile** like the peace the world gives. So don’t be troubled or afraid.*” John 14:27 (TLB)

- Heaven for the future

"...God's free gift is eternal life through Jesus..."

Romans 6:23 (GN)

The dominant belief of our culture today is **moralistic therapeutic deism**.

-Craig Groeschel, "Lead Like It Matters"

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"Whatever you do or say, let it be as a representative of the Lord Jesus..."

Colossians 3:17 (LB)

"The Holy Spirit doesn't want you to be afraid of people, but to be wise and strong, and to love them and enjoy being with them, If you will stir up this inner power, you will never be afraid to tell others about our Lord."

2 Timothy 1:7-8 (LB)

Action Steps:

Name(s) _____

- Pray
- Invest
- Invite

Jesus' First Command:

"Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!" Mark 1:17 (NLT)

Jesus' Last Command:

"You will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8 (NIV)