

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

THE LAND BETWEEN “Learning to be Content”

Types of laws in the Old Testament:

1. Civil Laws
2. Ceremonial Laws
3. Moral Laws

The effects of always wanting more:

- Stress

"Do not wear yourself out to be rich; have the wisdom to show restraint." Pr. 23:4 (NIV)

- Conflict

"What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from the desires that battle with you?" James 4:1 (NIV)

- Dissatisfaction

"You will never be satisfied if you long to be rich. You will never get all you want."
Ecc. 5:10 (GN)

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"...I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want."
Philippians 4:11b-12 (NIV)

How can you learn to be content?

Learn to think like a Bronze Medalist!

- Stop comparing

"We do not dare classify or compare ourselves ... it is not wise." 2 Cor. 10:12 (NIV)

- Start being grateful

"Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:18 (NLT)

- Look to the Lord to fill in the gap

"I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him [Christ] who gives me strength." Philippians 4:12-13 (NIV)