



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
Investing in Eternity

Generosity is God's antidote to materialism

Matt 6:19-21 (NLT)

19 Don't store up treasures here on earth, where they can be eaten by moths and get rusty, and where thieves break in and steal.

20 Store your treasures in heaven, where they will never become moth-eaten or rusty and where they will be safe from thieves.

21 Wherever your treasure is, there your heart and thoughts will also be.

Truth #1 Value Eternal Treasure

Psalm 49:17 (NLT) They can't take it with them; fame and fortune all get left behind.

True Treasure is the result of living a life aligned with God

suffering persecution for Jesus' sake (Mt 5:12),
loving Your enemies (5:46),
generous gifts to the poor (6:2-4),
Humble prayer (6:5-6), and fasting (6:16-18)

Proverbs 22:9 (NIV) A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor.

Where is your treasure?

Matt 6:22-23 (NLT)

22 "Your eye is a lamp for your body. A pure eye lets sunshine into your soul.

23 But an evil eye shuts out the light and plunges you into darkness. If the light you think you have is really darkness, how deep that darkness will be!"

Truth #2 Keep your eyes on God

Ecclesiastes 2:10-11 (NIV)

10 I denied myself nothing my eyes desired; I refused my heart no pleasure. My heart took delight in all my work, and this was the reward for all my labor.

11 Yet when I surveyed all that my hands had done and what I had toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless, a chasing after the wind; nothing was gained under the sun.

Where is your focus?

Matt 6:24(NLT)

24 “No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

Truth #3 Choose One to serve

Psalm 62:10 (NIV) ... though your riches increase, do not set your heart on them.

Hebrews 13:5 (NLT) Stay away from the love of money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, “I will never fail you. I will never forsake you.”

2 Corinthians 9:7 (NLT) You must each make up your own mind as to how much you should give. Don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. For God loves the person who gives cheerfully.

Who are you choosing?