

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

ASKING FOR A FRIEND

“Doubt”

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“When they heard about the resurrection of the dead, some of them sneered, but others said, “We want to hear you again on this subject.” At that, Paul left the Council. Some of the people became followers of Paul and believed. Among them was Dionysius, a member of the Areopagus, also a woman named Damaris, and a number of others.”
Acts 17:32-34 (NIV)

4 Types of People:

- Skeptics
- Seekers
- Solid believers
- Sold out believers

“Jesus performed many other miraculous signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.” John 20:30–31 (NET)

“Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it.”
John 20:24-25 (NIV)

“A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.”
John 20:26-27 (NIV)

Jesus says 3 things:

1. “Stop Doubting”

These days, it’s cool to be a seeker – but not cool to be a finder.

Doubt without a timeline will settle in for a lifetime!

2. “Start Believing”

Helpful Resources:

- I Don't have Enough Faith to be an Atheist, Norman Geisler/Frank Turek
- The Case for Faith, Lee Strobel
- The Case for Christ, Lee Strobel
- The Case for Creation, Lee Strobel
- Where is God When It Hurts?, Philip Yancey
- More Than a Carpenter, Josh McDowell
- www.everystudent.com
- www.gotquestions.org

3. “Touch My Wounds”

"Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."
John 20:27 (NIV)

"Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

John 20:28 (NIV)