

weekly guide

dealing with our past: show me the way
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Talking through the weekly message helps you turn information into application. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you make the next move.

Care: How are we doing? (Share brief update, listen, encourage, pray)

Loving Accountability: This time of accountability is for all to share if they were faithful on following through with the goals, they set the previous week. *Give an account of your obedience to the goals you set last week (Obey, Abide, Train, Share).*

Vision: Read Acts 2:36-47 draw church circle (back of booklet) to cast vision for healthy church.

Tell the story from memory.

Retell the message together from Proverbs 3:5-8.

Read the scripture from Proverbs 3:5-8 together from the Bible.

Discover: Pray then use the Sword Bible Study method to discuss the story (Proverbs 3:5-8) and reveal its meaning for our lives.

- What do we learn about *God/Jesus*?
- What do we learn from *the people* in this story?
- Use "S.P.E.C." to discuss from the passage if there is a...
 - Sin to avoid?
 - Promise to claim?
 - Example to follow?
 - Command to obey?

Who/How: Do you most identify with in the story and why?

Invite: Ask, "What keeps you from following/trusting Jesus today?"

Practice: Practice telling the story together

Ask: Father, thank You for the encouragement from Solomon, which is to trust you to direct our path and not ourselves. Free us from any arrogance or pride that are a result from the narrative scripts that have been written in our lives. Help us to create new narratives in you and through the teaching of scripture. Help us to trust Your plan for our lives and believe that You are good. In Jesus' name, amen.

Goals our Pastor(s) want you to set:

- **OBEY:** The verses are set within the context of *obedience*. Most times obedience is hard because it requires the obedient to go against the current of society and one's own sin nature. Therefore, obeying God requires *trust*, because the sinful route often promises quick satisfaction and pleasure. This is a key part of the practice.
- **ABIDE IN:** Read Proverbs 3 and pray daily.
- **TRAIN:** You need to train your disciples in this. If you don't have a disciple, who can you practice it with this week? Join us weekly on Wednesday for "**Mentor Me To Move**" disciple making training (Zoom Code: 389-476-789).
- **SHARE:** "Who from your oikos map will you share this story/message or share the gospel with this week?"

Commission/Pray: Ask God for His power to help you observe these goals.