GOSPEL COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE



Proverbs - The Way of Wisdom Teaching Series 11/20/22 Wisdom for Everyday Living

CONNECT, REVIEW, PRAY

~5-10 minutes

- Announce any church activities/events and handle any housekeeping for the GC
- What are you thankful for / have struggled with this week?
- How did you apply or share what we learned last week?
- How can we pray for each other?

ASK, LISTEN, LEARN

- Spend some time as a group talking through the definition given during the sermon of "self-control"?
- How would you describe, generally, your ability to have self-control in your own life?
- The wisdom found in Proverbs often discusses the way of the "fool". How have you understood this concept in the past, or how do you currently understand it?
- Read Proverbs 14:12 out loud. What does Solomon mean by this verse? How would you summarize "the way that leads to life" and "the way that leads to death"?
- Read Proverbs 14:8, 14:15, 14:16, and 14:17 out loud. Do any of these verses resonate with you? Are there any that you feel the Spirit stirring conviction around in your own life?
- Read and examine Proverbs 25:28.
 - Are there any particular parts of your life where you feel that you are a "city broken into and left without walls"? In other words, what are those areas in your life where it's difficult for you to have self control?
 - Share these with the group. Share also how any of these ways have led to destruction in your life.
 - As a Gospel Community, spend time listening to one another and asking gentle and probing questions to understand each other's struggle and weaknesses more. As you each feel led, encourage one another with the Spirit's leading by reminding each other of gospel realities. Be careful not to overshare your own situation when you're talking to someone else about theirs. Work to listen well to other people and speak gospel-centered encouragement into their lives.
 - What are practical and tangible ways to regain self-control in those areas where it feels lost, or weakening?
- Spend the final time of the night praying for one another, specifically naming areas of struggle and weakness and praying against satan and the powers and principalities of darkness in our lives.