

Main Street Church - Life Group Guide

Series: **ROOTS** :: **Part 3 – Knowledge**. January 31, 2016



Welcome & Prayer

* **FATHER GOD** – You are the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. Please empower us with inner strength through your Holy Spirit. Jesus, make your home in our hearts as we trust in You this week. Help our spiritual roots to grow down into your love and become strong. Bless us with the power to understand and experience how great your love really is, and make our lives more and more complete in You. Amen.

Connect

* **What is 1 thing we don't know about you yet?**

Check In

* **How did your Pray First prayer & fasting journey finish up?**

*What has challenged, encouraged, surprised or changed you the most...?

*What is one thing you will apply to your life moving forward?

Sunday Message Feedback

***What initially jumped out at you or impacted you from Sunday's message?**

1. We live in the "Information Age"...

What is the most useless piece of information you know? Share it with the group 😊

What is the best piece of advice or instruction you have received in your life?

*How did you apply it?

2. Is it possible to KNOW a lot about God but not grow or mature in your faith?

Why/why not?

3. The Bible has a lot to say about knowledge. Read the following verses and then discuss what jumps out at you with your group

a. **1 Peter 2:2-3**

b. **Philippians 1:9**

c. **2 Timothy 3:16-17**

d. **Colossians 1:9**

4. What is the danger of knowing a lot but not doing anything with what you know?

Read 1 Corinthians 8:1

a. What does Paul mean when he says that "knowledge puffs up?"

b. If we are told in **1 Peter 1:8** to supplement our faith with knowledge how do we make sure it does not become a point of pride that results in arrogance? Discuss.

5. Shawn taught that the best way to grow deeper in our knowledge of Jesus Christ is to **READ AND STUDY THE BIBLE**. He then explained how the Bible fills us with the knowledge of God and matures us in our faith. Read over the following truths and discuss share how they have been true in filling you with the knowledge of God.
- a. The Bible is a guide for life (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
 - b. The Bible is a light for our path (Psalm 119:105)
 - c. The Bible protects us from harm (Ephesians 6:17)
 - d. The Bible reflects who we really are (James 1:22-25)
 - e. The Bible is food for our soul (Psalm 1:1-3)

Application & Prayer

* What area listed regarding the power of the God's Word do you need to take hold of in order to grow in knowledge?

- How does growing in knowledge help you live a life of moral excellence (Integrity)?
- What will you do this week to become more disciplined in your reading and study of God's Word? Share your plan with your group and ask them to hold you accountable.

* **Give thanks to God** for His Word (the Bible) and for the person on your right, **Pray** that their understanding and experience of God would grow as they spend time reading & praying this week.

Our next Life Group

* Date/Time/Location: _____

* Snack: _____

Coming Up at Main Street Church

*ALPHA Course

Begins Wed. February 3rd. 8 Wednesdays (7pm-8:30pm) + 1 Saturday. Main Street Chapel.
Info & Registration: www.mainstreetchurch.ca/alpha

*Fresh Start

Our six-week Finance Course. **Begins Wed. February 3rd**. 6 Wednesdays (7pm-8:30pm).
Main Street Conference Rm. A. Info & Registration: www.mainstreetchurch.ca/fresh-start

*Baptism Celebration

Sunday, April 3rd. 6pm – Main Street Auditorium.
? Does anyone in your Group need to be Baptized ?
Info & Registration: www.mainstreetchurch.ca/baptism