



## WEEK 5 - CONSISTENT PERSEVERANCE

Arrival, Connecting, and Snack Together: (15 Minutes) Spend the first 15 minutes or so of your time together catching up and socializing.

Opening Prayer: (2 Minutes) Have someone open your time together in prayer.

Pacing Your Group: You have about 60 minutes to discuss this week's lesson. Move fairly quickly through the observation and reflection sections so that you have margin for discussion and surrender. Be sure to take at least 10 minutes to pray together at the end of your group!

Scripture Reading: Have someone read the passage for this week's study, slowly enough for everyone to enjoy. Re-read the passage as you move through and discuss the questions.

*Romans 5:1-5*

Observation:

1. How does God invite us to embrace suffering in this passage?
2. According to this passage, what step-by-step process leads to hope?

Reflection:

3. Think about the suffering that you see around you. How are some of the people around you suffering right now?
4. How are you dealing with your current sufferings?

Discussion:

5. Tell a story of how God forged your character in the context of suffering.
6. What encouragement would you offer to others in their suffering based on the process that God brought you through?

Surrender:

7. How can we best come alongside someone who is suffering?
8. How are you going to follow through on what God has revealed to you through today's study and discussion?

Closing Prayer: Pray for each other in light of what was shared today.