



Community Life

Living as a community intentionally focused on cultivating the life of Christ in others.

GROUP GUIDE



LIFE HACKS – wk 2: *The 1% Grade Principle*

ARRIVAL/CONNECTING and SNACK: (15 Minutes) Spend time catching up and socializing with one another. Follow up on prayer requests and any action steps from your last time together.

SHORT OPENING PRAYER FOR YOUR TIME TOGETHER: (2 minutes)

SCRIPTURE READING: (10 minutes)

For today's discussion, we are going to enjoy a longer section of Scripture. To set the context, it may help to spend 2 or 3 minutes giving a quick overview of **Hebrews 12:1-11**. Then have someone read **Hebrews 12:1-4** out loud and slowly enough for everyone to enjoy. Reflect quietly for a moment. Keep your Bibles open here as you discuss and read the next section.

OBSERVATION and REFLECT: 10 minutes

1. What are some examples of "weight" or hinderences in your life that seem to entangle you?
2. How do those examples *affect* your ability to keep moving forward in your life?
3. Why is it important to "fix your eyes on Jesus" regardless of your circumstances?

SCRIPTURE READING #2: (2 minutes)

Have someone read **Hebrews 12:5-11** out loud and slowly enough for everyone to enjoy.

REFLECT and DISCUSS: 10 minutes

4. What is the significance of God calling us "sons"?
5. Have you ever experienced God's disciplining you? Share some examples.
6. What is the reason for God correcting His children?
7. While pain or correction or trials aren't fun, name some ways that God has grown you and brought you through tough circumstances.

PLAN TO CHANGE: 20 minutes

- What is one way that you can press on even in the midst of hardship or pain?
- What is one step you can take this week to make that happen. Plan to report back to the group next week with the progress you make.

CLOSING PRAYER: 10 minutes

Take a few minutes to pray for one another in light of what has been shared and discussed today.