Group Discussion

INTRODUCTION

Does the Bible really say, "God helps those who help themselves"? What would change in our lives if our thoughts, actions, and feelings were based on what the Bible actually says instead of what we think it says?

GETTING STARTED

1. Consider the people in your life that might benefit from your influence and involvement. Describe how you might be able to help in their spiritual growth.

FROM THE SERMON

- 2. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time that caught your attention, confused you, or challenged you?
- 3. Read 2 Chronicles 15:1-2; 16:1-9. What did the Lord explain to King Asa (vs. 1-2)? How did the king respond to the Lord's explicit appeal (vs. 2-3)? What was the end result of King Asa doing things his way (vs. 9)?
- 4. Read 2 Kings 19:14-16; 17-19; 32-37. How did King Hezekiah respond to the Lord's appeal (vs. 14-16)? How was it different from King Asa? Discuss why the Lord stayed close to King Hezekiah and protected the city (vs. 18:5-8).
- 5. Read Proverbs 3:1-12. Read this passage in sections among each other. After reading, spend a few minutes discussing how and why you want to remain connected to the Lord's ways.
- 6. What are you hearing from the Holy Spirit right now?

NEXT STEPS

- 7. What will you now do with this new truth or spiritual insight as revealed by the Holy Spirit?
- 8. Take time to pray together.