

WEEK 5: JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 4

DISCIPLESHIP GROUP LESSON



MEETING AGENDA

1. **OPENING PRAYER** - Ask one person to open the meeting in prayer.
2. **GROWTH QUESTIONS** - Ask everyone the Growth Questions.
3. **ATTENDANCE**- Take attendance through the DG Attendance System.
4. **TODAY'S LESSON** - Go over this week's DG lesson.
5. **GIVING** - Encourage everyone to give on the App.
6. **CLOSING PRAYER** - Ask for prayer requests and pray.



GROWTH QUESTION #1

Who would like to share a highlight, praise report, or testimony from this week?



GROWTH QUESTION #2

What did you learn from this week's sermon?



GROWTH QUESTION #3

What was your most important accomplishment this week?

THE ONLY FOUNDATION YOU CAN DEPEND ON

TODAY'S PASSAGE:

Matthew 7:24-27 NLT 24 "Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. 25 Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock. 26 But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn't obey it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. 27 When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash."



INTERACTIVE QUESTIONS

What did you learn from what we just read?



GROWTH PRINCIPLE #1

There are only 2 possible foundations we can build our lives upon -
the rock or the sand.

- We build our house upon the rock when we hear and OBEY Jesus' teachings. We build our house on the sand when we hear and DISOBEY Jesus' teachings.
- Our response to Jesus' teachings determines whether we build a stable and successful life or an unstable and defeated life.
- As builders, we have the responsibility to choose which foundation we will build our marriage, families, businesses and lives on.



INTERACTIVE QUESTIONS

Can anyone give an example of a time that you built your house on sand? What was the outcome?



GROWTH PRINCIPLE #2

How you listen and respond when God speaks determine which foundation you are building your life on.

- There are two steps to building well: 1) Listen and 2) Follow (Apply)
- First, we have to listen. If we don't make time to listen, we won't hear anything from God.
- Second, we have to follow. It's not just about listening, obedience is the key!
- We must hear God AND obey what He says in order to have the right foundation for our lives.



INTERACTIVE QUESTIONS

What are some of the ways you can practice listening to the voice of God? What are some areas of your life that you need to adjust and follow the voice of God?



GROWTH PRINCIPLE #3

The storms of life will come to all of us.

- The Scripture does not say “if” the storms come, it says “when” the storms come.
- In this story, the rain and winds hit both houses.
- Whether we build on the right foundation or not, the storms and trials of life will happen.
- Building on the right foundation does not exempt us from the storm, it just guarantees we will still be standing when the storm is over!
- There are only 2 possible outcomes to the storms of life. If we build our house on the solid rock of Jesus’ teachings, it won’t collapse. If we build our house on the sands of disobedience, it will collapse.
- DEFINITION - Collapse (ptōsis): downfall, ruin, misery, loss and defeat
- There is a lesson to learn in every storm, but none of those lessons include collapse and defeat.
- If we listen and obey all of Jesus’ teachings, we can praise Him through every storm because we know that God guarantees us victory in the end.



INTERACTIVE QUESTIONS

What are some of the storms you are facing right now and need prayer for? Is there any area of your life that has collapsed because of disobedience? Are you willing to confess and repent of it today?



CLOSING QUESTIONS

What is one thing from today's lesson that you learned and will apply this week?

GIVING

Sharing freely and giving generously results in a legacy of good deeds that will make a lasting impact and echo through eternity.

2 Corinthians 9:9 (NLT)

As the Scriptures say, "They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever."

Encourage everyone to give their tithes and offerings.

PRAYER



QUESTION #1

Who are you praying for to be saved?



QUESTION #2

Who can you invite to the next meeting?



QUESTION #3

What are your prayer requests?