



GRACE GROUP LEADER'S MESSAGE GUIDE

(Week of May 3rd)

NOT MY JESUS - A FATHER'S HEART

LAST WEEK'S ACTION STEP

Repent.

ICEBREAKER

What's the best "worth the price" item you own and would recommend to others?

BOTTOM LINE

Because Jesus loves you, He will discipline you.

MAIN SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 12:4-13

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURES

Proverbs 3:11-12

Revelation 3:19

Psalms 39:11

John 15:2

Titus 2:12

Romans 6:23

RESOURCES

Read this [article](#) from Desiring God titled "The Painful Discipline of our Heavenly Father."

Watch this short [video](#) from Alistair Begg titled "The Discipline of the Father."

GRACE EVENTS

<https://www.gracefellowship.cc/events/>

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Introductory

1. What stood out to you from this weekend's message?
2. What's something in your life that felt bad at the time, but ended up being really good for you?
3. Why do we assume all pain is bad?

Scripture

4. Read Hebrews 12:4-13. Verse 6 says God disciplines those He loves. How does that reshape your understanding of God's love for you?
5. Verse 10 says God disciplines "for our good." What does that mean practically? Where have you seen this in your life?
6. What does this passage promise for those who endure God's discipline (see verse 11)?

Application

7. If God removed all pain from your life, what kind of person would you be or become?
8. How does your relationship with your earthly father influence how you perceive your heavenly father? Why?
9. Where might God be giving you something you *need* instead of what you *want*?

ACTION STEP

Journal one day this week; a) Identify the discipline you are resenting and b) thank God for past disciplines.