

# SMALL GROUP LESSON PLAN



## Teaching The Bible Through Practical Biblical Teaching

- **Greeting/Opening Prayer/Food & Friendship**
- **Icebreaker** ~ What things can disrupt you from hearing clearly?
- **Testimonies/Good news/What are you thankful for?**
- **WOF's Purpose:**
  - 1) We teach and educate - exercising believer's rights through practical application
  - 2) We are a holistic church- development of spirit, soul, and body
  - 3) We are a mission's church - serving both domestic and international
- **Short review of what was preached at service on Sunday**
- **Facilitation of Lesson**

(Facilitator Notes)

### FAITH FOR LIFE Book by Bishop Keith A. Butler

#### Hearing the Voice of God

Hearing God speak to you is a crucial component to living by faith. Hearing the voice of God doesn't happen by accident. There are a number of ways to clearly hear God's voice. Among the ways are: 1) being deliberate about spending time reading and meditating on the Word of God, 2) being sensitive to the voice of Holy Spirit that dwells in you, and 3) knowing when God is speaking to you. These hearing aids will help you to improve your heart to hear from God.

#### **Read: John 12:49; Proverbs 20:27**

We must be intentional. Jesus did not act on His own, He learned to hear from God the Father and receive His directions of what He was to do and say.

1. What helped Jesus hear from the Father?
2. What impact has spending time reading the bible and prayer made on your life.

#### **Read: John 15:26-27 NASB John 16:13-15; 26-27 AMP**

The Holy Spirit dwells in you and will lead, direct and guide you. He leads and guides us by the "inward witness speaking to us of God's way. We must learn to hear Him and obey His voice.

3. Share a time where you heard the Holy Spirit's directions. What happened?

#### **Read: Joshua 1: 8-9 , Proverbs 2:1-5 ESV**

The more time you spend with God, the greater opportunity you will have to hear from Him.

4. What things interfere with you in clearly hearing from God?

- In order to clearly hear from God, I need to \_\_\_\_\_?

#### • **Time of Decision** (Everyone Bow Your Heads)

- 1) **Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior:** \*Some may have never received Jesus. \*You may be a good person, give to the poor, and serve in the community. \*Has there been a day where you confessed Jesus and Lord?

(Read Romans 10:9) If need to make this decision, raise your hand:

**What to do next:** Have them repeat after you: "I believe that Jesus is the son of God. I believe he died for me bearing my sins for me. I believe he rose from the dead and is alive right now. Dear Lord Jesus, come into my life now! Come into my heart now! I believe in my heart, and say with my mouth that Jesus Christ is my personal Lord as Savior. And I am, right now, born again."

- 2) **Rededicate your life:** \*Is your life a mess? \*Are you struggling right now? \*You know something is just off in life? {Read 1 John 1:9} If you want to be restored with God, raise your hand:

**What to do next:** Lead the person in the following prayer, allowing them to repent before God for the area they have sinned: "Father, I come before you in the Name of Jesus asking for forgiveness ... (allow the person to personally speak to God about the specific thing they are repenting for). After they are finished, close out the prayer with them, thanking God for forgiveness and restoration."

- **Time of Prayer**
- **Your Circle: (Family, Friends and those you have influence with) How's it going?**
- **Announcements-Next WOF service and any additional announcements**
- **Dismissal**

**Prayer focus:** 1) Your Circle (friends and family) 2) Small Group members 3) Word of Faith Leadership

**Have you reached out to your circle today?**