

SMALL GROUP LESSON PLAN

Teaching The Bible Through Practical Biblical Teaching

- **Greeting/Opening Prayer/Food & Friendship**
- **Icebreaker** ~ What is your favorite song and why?
- **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)

A Good Planter

In order for a plant to grow and flourish, it requires good soil, light, and a healthy environment. Just like a plant, Christians must work diligently at keeping and maintaining our heart. Developing the right heart environment is necessary for our spiritual development and growth. Consequently, there are specific steps that we must follow in order to be a good planter and produce fruit. A key component of establishing and cultivating good ground is our faith. Without faith it is impossible to produce a harvest we can enjoy.

READ: Mark 4:20 (KJV) Faith requires good soil in order to produce good fruit. It is not good enough to just hear the Word of God, we must have corresponding action.

1. Give a definition of having good soil?

READ: Mark 4:14-15, Proverbs 4:23 (KJV) We have a responsibility to keep a healthy (soil) environment of our heart. Be watchful and ready to remove any weeds that may cause doubt and unbelief.

2. Share your definition of a healthy environment?

READ: Mark 4:15-17 AMP; I Corinthians 15:33 KJV How you hear God's Word is key. Troubles, cares, or negativity can impact how your garden grows.

3. Share how allowing trouble, cares and negative words can affect your heart and stunt growth?

READ: Proverbs 4:23-27, Joshua 1:KJV Words are powerful. Sticks and stones they break not; but hearts they crush. Be on guard so that you can enjoy the springs of abundant life.

4. What steps can you implement into your daily routine to ensure that you firmly plant the Word into your heart?

- **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?