

COMMUNITY GROUP

DISCUSSION GUIDE

May 11/12, 2024

WELCOME/ OPENING PRAYER

PURPOSE: *We are here as a group to make and multiply disciples.*

DISCUSSION GUIDELINES

WARMUP: *Personal Testimony*

or

Question: If you were forced to live in another country, which one would you choose and why?

SET THE STAGE: *This week we continue discussing how Christianity makes the world a better place. One area of modern life that continues to cause more pain and anguish is in marriage and family relationships. It seems that no one is immune to bad outcomes when the biblical boundaries of relationships are repeatedly violated. Violating God's prescription for intimacy and family life may seem like a road to freedom, but inevitably ends up in heartache and disillusionment. As followers of Christ, we have an opportunity to teach and model the truth that when these boundaries are respected marriages and families will flourish.*

STORY or READ THE PASSAGE: *Genesis 9:1-17*

HEAD QUESTIONS:

Why are boundaries on human intimacy so important to God?

How can respecting these boundaries positively affect marriage/family?

What are the real-life consequences you see in our culture because of the widespread disregard of biblical guidelines for intimacy?

HEART QUESTIONS:

Which area of biblical teaching has challenged you the most? (sex, marriage, singleness, divorce). Why?

How does your life experience argue for the truth of God's word in these areas?

HANDS QUESTIONS:

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How do you know when to simply listen to those hurting in one of these areas, and when is it appropriate to share gospel truth?

TAKEAWAY

CLOSING PRAYER