



Week 3: Lead Me

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

There are four crucial components for a group to maintain its health: Word, prayer, relationships, and reaching out. In this guide, you will study the biblical passage in three steps: observation, interpretation, and application. As the group leader, you are free to use any part of this guide that can assist you in achieving this goal.

CONNECT

- How have personal experiences, misconceptions of God, or fear of surrender influenced how you view God's leadership? How do we practically grow to trust God's goodness when His path doesn't feel safe or predictable?

INTRODUCTION

God's leadership is something we are all in desperate need of. Yet praying "God, lead me" can be scary and terrifying because of how we perceive God to be. Jesus teaches us that every time we approach God in prayer, there's key convictions we should hold in order to think rightly about God's nature and our relationship with him.

OBSERVATIONS & INTERPRETATION

Read: Psalm 84:11

Discuss: Jesus primarily and often refers to God as Father and invites us to do the same every time we approach God in prayer. What might we conclude about Jesus' mindset or desire for our relationship with God?

Read: Luke 6:46

Discuss: Jesus depicts the good news of the Gospel as the *Kingdom* of God arriving and expanding - the implication being that God is the King. What does this mean for those who want to follow him?

Read: Luke 22:41-44

Discuss: Jesus shows us the perfect example of yielding to God's will even when to the point of death. What does this reveal about Jesus' beliefs about his will vs his Father's will?

APPLICATION

- What practical steps can I take to draw closer to God and get to know him as a Father
- What areas of my life am I afraid to submit to God's leadership and authority? What practical actions can I take to release these areas to God's direction?

PRAYER

- In the spiritual realm (and therefore in the seen world), there is no demilitarized zone. We are either a part of God's ever increasing Kingdom, or we are under the influence of the enemy's kingdoms. Pray that God's good, holy and gracious leadership would permeate every aspect of your life as you surrender to his Sovereignty