

BUILDING ON THE RIGHT FOUNDATION LIFE GROUP STUDY REBUILDING THE WALLS WEEK 5

Introduction:

In today's lesson, we are challenging ourselves to think through what it means to receive and apply God's Word in our lives as a lifestyle. The challenge is to move from building our lives on the foundations of the world to building our lives on the foundation of the Word. We emphasized that there is no commitment that you could make that will have a greater impact on your life and the life of your family than a commitment to really know the Bible and apply it to every area of your life.

Ice Breaker:

Can you remember a time in which God impacted your life through something He spoke or revealed to you from reading or listening to the teaching of His Word? I like to say, "Can you remember a time when you didn't just read the Bible but felt it was reading you?"

1. Can you think of an example of a business or a friend that built a solid foundation in their relationship with you. What was it that caused there to be trust and the basis to grow and flourish in that relationship? How might this apply to your relationship with God and having a relationship with Him that would make it easy for Him to trust you?
2. Can you think of something you built on a wrong foundation that you regretted later? Why do you think people often fail to think about right foundations?
 - a. We just do what seems easy and convenient.
 - b. We do what others around us are doing.
 - c. We do things that are familiar from our upbringing.
 - d. We assume that we are an exception or that we can fix something later.
 - e. We let our flesh, emotions, and desires take over.
 - f. We are proud and don't listen.
 - g. Other
3. Do you have an example of how building your life on God's Word has brought one of the following things to you?
 - a. Stability in times of chaos and uncertainty
 - b. Peace and clarity in confusion
 - c. Lasting fruit and blessing
 - d. Transformation of my heart, emotions, thoughts, attitudes, and actions
4. The Bible talks about letting God's Word transform our minds. Give an example of an area of your life that needs transformation. Give a practical example of what might be done to apply God's Word to transform that area?
 - a. Worry

- b. Complaining
- c. Fear
- d. Being judgmental and critical
- e. Resentful
- f. Discouraged and depressed
- g. Overcoming a temptation

5. What is something you feel the Lord might especially want you to do to become a person who is consistently growing in the Word?

- a. Not become satisfied and settled with the growth and improvements I've made in the past
- b. Have a Bible reading plan that I consistently follow
- c. Take the time to think through and mediate on how to apply God's Word
- d. Act more intentionally on what the Bible says
- e. Share your discipleship journey with other growing Christians

6. Where is a specific area that you would appreciate prayer in your journey to apply God's Word and see change?

- a. Marriage or family
- b. Attitudes
- c. Healing of past hurts or habits
- d. Walking in victory over fear or discouragement
- e. Sharing my faith
- f. Being more effective in ministering to others