

WELCOME TO WORD OF FAITH LIFE GROUPS **WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER**

LIFE GROUP LESSON PLAN

“How To Live Life The Faith Way” Pt. 7b

Thursday, March 23, 2023 – 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Teaching The Bible Through Practical Biblical Teaching

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OPENING PRAYER (2-3 MINUTES) WELCOME TO OUR GROUP (5 MINUTES)

If this is your first time joining us, please introduce yourself! We are glad you took the time to join us today. Our group has four purposes:

1. **L... Learning together from God's Word**
2. **I... Interceding through prayer**
3. **F... true Fellowship in the Spirit of Christ**
4. **E... Evangelizing the lost**

PRAISE & WORSHIP (5 MINUTES)

FACILITATION OF LESSON

Sermon Title: “How To Live Life The Faith Way” Pt.7b

POINT I

When you believed in your heart and confessed with your mouth, Jesus is Lord, you were saved. Do you realize what really happened to you at that moment? **1 Peter 1:23**, tells us, *“Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.”* Your body was born of corruptible seed. Corruptible means it is temporary and not eternal. The Word of God is a living thing. It is incorruptible. There is a force in the Word of God called the anointing. That anointing was so strong, that you were recreated when you confessed Jesus as Lord. At that moment, the death nature was killed.

QUESTION

1. What happened the moment you were saved?

2 Corinthians 5:17 says:

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. A fresh and new has come. It all happened through the Word. The Word is powerful. It is powerful enough to:

- Give you access to heaven,
- Change your nature,
- Change your physical circumstances,

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- Change your financial situation
- Change your family
- Change your employment
- Change your child
- Change you

QUESTION

1. How powerful is the Word Of God?

POINT II

The Bible you hold in your lap on Sundays shouldn't sit on your desk the rest of the week. It should be the first and most important thing you go to every day. I've heard people say that breakfast is the most important meal of the day. However, I'd say that eating the Word of God first thing is the most important meal of the day. The coffee and blueberry muffin can wait. They will not change your life. They may change something else. The Word will change your life! **Psalms 119:105** says, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." The Word gives strength. **Psalms 119:11** says, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." The Word is all you need. The Word in your heart is what curves sin, not your will power!

QUESTION

1. What importance should you give the Word Of God in your life? Why?
2. How can a person really stop sinning?

What did Jesus tell Satan in: **Matthew 4:4**

*But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall **not live by bread alone, but by every word** that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.*

I don't live by natural bread alone. I live by the Word of the Living God.

Every morning you should go to the Word. Spend time with God to see what he has to say to you before your day begins. Even before you get on an airplane you should ask the Holy Spirit, Lord do you want to show me something? Stop and listen to your spirit before you board. If it's clear board the plane. If you have a check in your spirit don't. I don't care how bad you want to get to I destination, don't override the voice of the Holy Spirit. People often ask, why did this man or woman of God die in a plane crash or automobile accident? They often blame God for the disaster, but God never causes crashes, accidents, or catastrophes. When godly people die in such disasters, I truly believe that the Holy Spirit tried to warn them; They either didn't take the time to ask Him and listen to Him, or they overrode the warning He spoke into their spirits.

QUESTIONS

1. Why is it important to go to the Word every morning?
2. Why do people blame God for things that happened? Where should the blame be pointed?
3. Has there ever been a time when you over-rode the Holy Spirit and did something anyway? What were the results?

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POINT III

Don't take the position with an accusatory attitude. Every one of us has missed God, and although Satan isn't omnipresent, he is on the prowl for an opportune moment when he can take you out. The Word of God tells us in **1 Peter 5:8** says, "*Be sober, be vigilant; [In Hearing The Voice Of God] because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour...*" That moment comes when you don't listen to the Holy Spirit or you operate outside of the Will of God. That's one of the reasons you don't want to live a life of habitual sin. It closes you off from the voice of God and opens the door to the destruction of the enemy.

QUESTIONS

1. When does Satan have the opportune time to attack you?
2. What happens when you live in habitual sin?

POINT IV

Faith comes from hearing a preacher deliver the Word of God. It also comes by meditating on the Word. Meditation of the Word will make you strong and courageous so that you can be successful in whatever God calls you to do. In **Joshua 1:6-8** God tells Joshua, "*Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them. 7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. 8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.* The Amplified Bible reads verse 8 this way, "*For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success.*" The **New Living Translation** reads verse 8 this way, "*Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do.*" When you what? Meditate!

QUESTIONS

1. How does meditation of the Word affect your life?

POINT V

The word "*meditate*" means to mutter. Scripture is not referring to some eastern, mystical mantra citation. Meditate is to speak or to say something repeatedly. God never intended his Word to be read silently. The tradition of keeping the believer silent was born in the dark ages when the bible was taken away from the common man and locked up in monasteries for nearly 1,000 years. The early church understood the power of reading and continually muttering the Word to ones 'self. **Joshua 1:8** reveals the benefit that will derive from that practice.

Regularly meditating on the Word of God will bring you success! Verse 8 in the Amplified Classic Translation reads, "*You will be able to deal wisely in all of life's affairs.*" Life is all about making decisions. When we make good decisions, we experience success; bad decisions yield problems! When you meditate on the Word of God, you will make wise decisions that lead to a blessed life.

QUESTIONS

1. What does the word meditate mean to you?
2. How should you read the Word of God?
3. What is life all about?
4. Have you ever made some decision that changed the course of your life?

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CALL - TIME OF DECISION (EVERYONE BOW YOUR HEAD AND PRAY)

PRAISE REPORTS - *2-MINUTES PER PERSON

PRAYER FOCUS / INDIVIDUAL PRAYER REQUEST (10 MINUTES)

Prayer focus:

- 1) Your Circle (friends and family)
- 2) Life Group members
- 3) Word of Faith Leadership:
 - Pastor Ronald D. Walker, Jr., Evangelist Sharon L. Walker, Minister Promise Walker, Brittany and Christian, Carmelo and the ministerial staff.
 - Bishop Keith A. Butler and Pastor Deborah Butler

Have you reached out to your circle today?

ANNOUNCEMENTS (5 MINUTES)

1. Join “Read Along with Word of Faith” for its’ upcoming Small Talks Series on the following subjects.

Trusting God when building or buying a home with Minister Jennifer Bachelor **Tuesday, March 28th at 7:30pm.**

The meetings will be held on ZOOM and Facebook. Meeting ID is Meeting ID: 844 8529 1794
Passcode: **202540**. Don’t miss out!
2. Also, pick up your WOFICC Cares shirt today. All sizes are available. The cost of the shirt \$15.00 or hat \$22.00. The first WOFFIC Cares event is to be announced. Don't miss out get your shirt today.
3. Join Covenant Partners Ministry for their next meeting **Friday, March 24, 2023 at 7:00 pm.** Invite a couple and bring a dish! For more information, contact Minister Oysterman by email at wofcovenantpartners@gmail.com.
4. Join us for **A Night of Prayer, Friday, March 31, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. until midnight.** *Men ought always to pray and not faint.*
5. Join the SWAT Team for their next SWAT Outing on **Saturday, April 8th**. For more information contact Minister Francis.
6. **Mighty Men of Valor** it is time to get ready, get ready for the **Mother’s Day Switch, Sunday, May 14th**. Join Pastor Walker for your first planning meeting **Today, Sunday, March 19nd immediately** following service.

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7. Join us for **Pre-Service Prayer every Sunday at 7:30 am.** Come and experience the presence and power of the Holy Ghost. Service begins at 10:00 am.
8. Join us for Early Morning Prayer, **Monday- Friday from 6:00 am - 7:00 am** and Saturday's at 10:00 am. Join us on the Miracle Line on Tuesday's and Thursday's at 11:00 am by conference call, Facebook, YouTube and the Word of Faith Website. The call-in number for the Early Morning Prayer and the Miracle Line is (717) 908-1834, access code 755875#.
9. Then Join us for Noon Day Prayer, with Evangelist Sharon Walker. Join us for 1-hour to pray. This is an In-person Prayer Service at Word of Faith.
10. Monetary donations are being accepted to be a blessing to those truly in need. When making your donation to please write "*Gift for WOFICC CARES.*" **WOFICC CARES** about our church family! **WOFICC CARES** about our community! **WOFICC CARES** about the Islands of the Caribbean!

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