

TOUCH GROUP LESSON PLAN

"Are You Prepared Pt. 5b"

Thursday, July 2, 2026 – 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Teaching The Bible Through Practical Biblical Teaching

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Opening Prayer/Welcome

If this is your first time joining us and you did not give your name earlier, please introduce yourself! We are glad you took the time to join us today. Our group has three purposes:

1. A PLACE TO CONNECT – I Corinthians 9:22 TLB

We were not made to do life alone. God created us for community, and Touch Groups provide a place to connect with others, share life, and grow in faith together.

2. A PLACE TO PROTECT – 1 John 3:16

It is through life together that our problems become smaller, and God uses others to bring support and encouragement to our lives. Touch Groups become a place where others don't just know your name, but care about what is happening in your life and want to support you in your spiritual journey.

3. PLACE TO GROW – Proverbs 27:17

We believe every person is created with God-given potential to make a difference in the world. Touch Groups are a place you can grow with others to become more like Jesus and reach the potential God has put inside you.

Icebreaker:

1. What is one thing you always make sure you're prepared for, and why?

Testimonies/Good news/What are you thankful for?

1. 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

1. Share one or two main points that really stood out to you.
2. Share how you can apply that word to your life this week.

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But Paul unquestionably declared that there will be one generation that will never taste death. Rather than die as other generations before them have died, that singular generation who is alive at the time of the resurrection of the bodies of the righteous dead and the rapture of the Church will suddenly and miraculously put on immortality.

The word **immortality** describes that new status. Immortality means *not subject to death* and *imperishable*. That means when Christ comes to resurrect the bodies of the righteous dead and rapture, or catch away, the Church, those Christians who are alive and living in vibrant faith at that moment will find themselves miraculously and instantly re-clothed in transformed bodies that are no longer subject to death. Mortality must put on immortality!

The question is: **What will your transformed body be like?**

I want you to understand that a core New Testament doctrine is that, in this moment when Christ comes for the resurrection of the righteous dead and for the Church, all the perishable bodies of those who died in faith, along with those Christians who are alive and remain in faith, will be re-clothed with bodies that are incorruptible, imperishable, and eternal.

Questions

1. What happens to the generation that will never taste death?
2. What state will they find themselves in?

Read: **1 Corinthians 15:42**

Paul is writing descriptively about what these transformed bodies will be like. In this passage, Paul makes fifteen important points about the death and resurrection of authentic believers.

He wrote:

"So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body."

First, Paul stated in **verse 42**:

"So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption."

He states that the bodies of believers who die in faith are sown in corruption.

The word **sown** pictures the sowing of seed for a future harvest. When a farmer plants seed, he does so with the full expectation that one day it will yield a harvest. Paul used this imagery to

teach that death is not final. Rather, when we die, we are sown into the earth like seed, and one day our bodies will come forth again.

Questions

1. In point #1 of the fifteen points about the death and resurrection of authentic believers, what does Paul state? Explain.
2. How does this relate to a farmer? Explain.

Second, Paul stated in **1 Corinthians 15:42**:

"So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption."

He is saying that when our human bodies are placed in the grave, they are sown in corruption. The word *corruption* depicts that which is decaying, death-permeated, or rotting. Although we are planted as decaying and mortal bodies, Paul declared that a time is coming when the physical body of every authentic believer will be raised in incorruption.

Third, Paul said:

"So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption."

Notice that Paul states we will be raised.

The word *raised* means to awaken, to arise, or to be resurrected. It was a word used in New Testament times to depict the rising of royalty. Paul emphatically declared that a time is coming when every true believer who dies in faith will be resurrected. In that resurrection, believers will come forth as the royalty God sees them to be.

That is the way God sees every authentic believer. He declares in **1 Peter 2:9**:

"But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light."

You are going to come forth like the royalty you are.

Question

1. What is Paul stating in points 2 and 3? Explain.

Fourth, in **1 Corinthians 15:42**, it says: *"It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption."* Paul wrote that when the bodies of those who died in faith arise in the resurrection, they will come forth in incorruption.

The word *incorruption* describes that which is incapable of decay or incapable of suffering the effects of wear, tear, age, or death.

Therefore, although a believer is sown in a decaying condition, when his or her body is raised, it will be raised in a new form that is incapable of decay or the effects of wear, tear, or age—never to experience death again.

That's good news for me. How about you?

Fifth, Paul wrote in **1 Corinthians 15:43** that those who die in faith: *"It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory."*

Our bodies are sown in dishonor, as are all the bodies of those who pass from this life. Again, Paul used the word *sown* to refer to the righteous dead, denoting the planting of seed for a future harvest. The repeated use of the word *sown* throughout this passage reminds us that we will not remain in the condition in which we were buried. Just as seed planted in the ground eventually emerges in a different form, every authentic believer will emerge from the grave gloriously transformed in the resurrection.

Question

1. What is Paul stating in points 4 and 5? Explain.

Sixth, Paul also states in **1 Corinthians 15:43**: *"It is sown in dishonour."*

When the human body is buried, or sown, it is done in dishonor. The word *dishonor* pictures that which is dishonorable.

Yet, **Psalms 139:14** reminds us:

"I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well."

As fearfully and wonderfully as we were made in the image of God, the human body in death becomes a heap of human decay.

Seventh, Paul declares in **1 Corinthians 15:43**: *"It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory."* We have already seen that the word *raised* means to awaken, to arise, or to be resurrected. It was also used in New Testament times to depict the rising of royalty.

Here, Paul repeats that authentic believers will emerge into a new royal status in the resurrection. That is why he went on to say that we will be raised in glory. The word *glory* is translated from the Greek word *doxa*, which describes that which is glorious, luminous, and resplendent. It is the same word used throughout Scripture to describe the glory of God.

According to Paul, in our newly resurrected royal status, our bodies will be raised by God's glory as glorious, luminous, and resplendent.

Question

1. What is Paul stating in points 6 and 7? Explain.

Time of Prayer: Submit your Prayer Request

- 1) Your Circle (friends and family)
- 2) Touch Group members
- 3) Word of Faith Leadership:
 - a. Pastor Ronald D. Walker, Jr., Evangelist Sharon L. Walker, Mr. Josef & Minister Promise Fielder, Brittany and Christian, Carmelo, Mom Cuyler and Mom Walker and the ministerial staff.
 - b. Bishop Keith A. Butler and Pastor Deborah Butler
 - c. Reverend Kenneth and Gloria Copeland

Have you reached out to your circle today?

Your Circle: (Family, Friends and those you have influence with) How's it going?

Announcements:

1. Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to everyone celebrating in the **Month of July 2026.**
2. Pick up a copy of the Bible reading calendar for the **Month of July 2026.**
3. Join us for our next Touch Group meeting, **Thursday, July 2nd.** Touch Groups are small gatherings of believers who come together every Thursday on Zoom for prayer, the Word, and fellowship. We invite you to be part of this life-changing experience by joining one of our groups:
 - Generation 6:20 Youth Touch Group at 6 pm
 - VIP Silver Saints at 7 pm
 - Covenant Partners & Singles at 7 pmTo get connected, simply call the church office or speak with a ministry leader right after service. Don't miss the chance to grow in faith and family through a Touch Group!
4. Join Pastor and Evangelist Walker every **Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.** as they minister the Word at **Roy L. Schneider Hospital.** For more information call the church office.
5. Calling everyone dealing with sickness or disease from seniors to children! Join us **Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m.** for **"I Am Healed School"** with **Evangelist Sharon Walker.** Come expecting the healing power of God!
6. Join us for **Generation 6:20 Youth Service, Friday, July 3rd at 7:00 p.m.** For more information contact Minister Julie Francis.

7. **Join us for Holy Communion Service on Sunday, July 5th, at 10:00 a.m.** as we gather to remember the sacrifice of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
8. Join us for the next **SWAT Outing, Saturday, July 11th and July 25th at 11:00 am.** For more information contact Minister Julie Francis.
9. Join us from **Baby Dedication Services, Sunday, July 12th at 10:00 am.** We invite families to bring their children as we dedicate them to the Lord in a special time of prayer and blessing. To register or for more information, please contact the church office at **(340) 774-8617.**
10. Join us for **Iron Sharpens Iron and Ladies-N-Love with God on Friday, July 17th, at 7:00 p.m.** Come for an evening of encouragement and fellowship. For more information, please see **Pastor and Evangelist Walker.**
11. Join us for **Command Praise and Worship Day Service, Monday, July 20th at 6:30 p.m.** at Word of Faith. Join us as we command the safety of the islands and welcome our PEACE BE STILL Season. Come expecting a powerful move of God this is a night you won't want to miss!!
12. Join us for **A Night of Prayer on Friday, July 31st, at 7:00 p.m.** for an evening of prayer, praise, and the Word of God. Jesus reminded us in **Luke 18:1**, *"Men ought always to pray, and not to faint."* Come expecting God to move as we seek Him together.
13. Join Keith A. Butler and Deborah Butler for the **Word of Faith Convention and Ministerial Conference**, taking place **October 1st–2nd and Sunday, October 4th.** Featured speakers include **Bishop Keith A. Butler**, **Pastor Ivan Hazarbassanov**, and **Minister Miga Rodriguez** during the morning sessions, with **Pastor Nancy Dufresne** and **Pastor Jonathan Shuttlesworth** ministering during the evening sessions. Special guest speaker **Jesse Duplantis** will minister on **Sunday, October 4th.**

You do not want to miss these powerful meetings filled with faith, teaching, and impartation. To register, visit: convention.wordoffaith.cc
14. Do you desire to grow deeper in God's Word? Do you want to strengthen your faith and gain a greater understanding of the Bible? We invite you to join **Layperson's Bible School**, There is a sign-up sheet in the back. For more information see Pastor Walker.
15. **Volunteers are needed for every auxiliary**, Children's Church, Youth Ministry, the Media Team, God's Green Hands, Ushers & Hostesses, ZEST Team, the Sound Team and the Parking Lot Ministry. To join an auxiliary, speak with a ministry leader.

*16.*Join the Church Media Team. Use your creativity and gifts to help share the Good news and make an impact for God's Kingdom. For more information see Stacy Gregoire or Donna Berry.

*17.*Join us for **Early Morning Prayer – Monday – Friday at 6:00 am** and **Saturday at 10:00 am**. Join us in person or on Facebook, YouTube, the Word of Faith website.

*18.***Pray for an Hour in Tongue every Sunday** with Evangelist Walker at 7:30 am. Ministerial prayer at 8:50 am and auxiliary prayer at 9:00 am. For more information see Evangelist Walker.

Dismissal: