



Group Time

Be sure to keep an eye on your time allotment for each activity. Leaders guide the conversation, making sure everyone participates.

First-Third:

1. Member Care:

- a. Leader: Asks, "How is everyone doing?"
- b. Each participant offers a prayer request and a praise.

2. Look Back: Each participant shares (gives an account of) what or how they did on their "Look Forward" activity commitment from the last meeting:

- a. **What word or phrase from Proverbs 2:1-5 did you choose to apply last week?**
- b. **How did you apply it?**
- c. **How Did It Go?**

3. Prayers and Praises for what God is doing.



Week 2 – The Goodness of God

Second-Third:

1. Look Up: Read Psalm 84:11.

Watch this week's video to cover the main point:

The FEAR OF MISSING OUT keeps us from God's Goodness.

2. Look In: Taking up your cross daily means that you are literally willing to die for the sake of the Gospel. It means you are all in! The challenge is that our enemy is constantly telling us that if we are all in, we will somehow miss out.

Only when we understand and embrace the Goodness of God are we able to "take up our cross" – be ALL IN.

POINT: Are you looking for the Goodness of God?

If I follow God, then I do not have to fear missing out. Whether He gives or takes, His actions are good because He is good. In order to see or experience His goodness, we must do three things:

- Accept His Gift. (John 3:16, Romans 6:23)
- Surrender fully to His Lordship. (Romans 12:1)
- Remember, you will never miss out. (Psalm 84:11)

Discussion Questions:

1. **Why is it important to believe that God is Good?**
2. **What hinders us from seeing or believing in the Goodness of God?**
3. **Why is it important for us to reflect God's Goodness towards others? When is this most difficult?**

Final-Third:

1. Look Forward: What is something practical (measurable) I can DO before our next meeting, in obedience to the lesson?

- **Memorize Psalm 84:11**

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

- **Share it with two people this week and journal their responses. What questions did they have?**
- **Next meeting be prepared to share how it went.**

2. Practice: If this step involves going someplace or committing to an activity, plan it out now. What is the schedule? If this step involves talking with someone (ex: sharing the Good News or asking for forgiveness), what will you say? Who will you say it to? Practice that now to get feedback and suggestions.

3. Pray for one another to be obedient to do this step, commissioning one another for the task. Praise God for speaking into our lives.