



LIVE IT!
GROUP GUIDE

WEEK 04

Faith Under Pressure Trials Meet Relationships

Live It Guides are not just a “study” we do to fill our heads with information about God. Possessing information doesn’t make us disciples. It’s what we do with it that counts! This looks like **listening, believing and living**. The purpose of this guide is to: (1) foster learning & listening with one another around God’s Word, (2) allow God’s Word to shape what we are believing and (3) encourage one another to live it out in the context of our daily lives. If you find your group not asking “believing” and “living” questions, please adjust your time to allow for this vital part of discipleship.

Listening to God’s Word...

Read James 1:18-25.

What are the root problems of many of your relational conflicts? Are there any relationships in your life right now where you see this playing out? (vs 19-20)

How does James say we are to deal with our own sinful attitudes? What does this tell us about the power of God’s word? (vs 21)

What does “receiving the Word” fully entail? Consider some ways that you may be living as a “hearer only”? (vs 22-25)

Believing What It Says...

As we hear God speak through His Word, we must take what we are learning and consider how we see ourselves actually living our lives. Many times, we may say we believe something but in fact find that a different belief is influencing our actions. This provides an opportunity to repent and believe the Gospel.

Do you believe that God is the one who brings His people into salvation? (vs 18, 21)

Do you believe that it is not enough to learn what God’s Word says.. but we must also live it out? (vs 22- 25). What place does God’s Word have in your life? In what areas are you struggling to live out what it says?

Living it out...

Let’s put what we are hearing from God’s Word into practice...this week! We long to be a people who live an active faith, not only hearing from God, but also responding in obedience to Him!

Spend some time in prayer thanking God for what he has done to bring us into salvation through His Word.

Prayerfully consider your relationship with God’s word. If we are to be doers of the Word, we must be people that value it in our lives. Be accountable to someone about your time in God’s Word.

Prayerfully consider one area of relationship in which you may be living as a “hearer only.” Be accountable to someone about how you are seeking to live differently over the next week.

Notes...

Record what you hear God saying through His Word and some tangible ways you are desiring to live it out in the next week...