

Week 5 – Good News of Promise

Ice Breaker

Share about a time when you felt pressured to accomplish a task within a strict time frame or with specific expectations. How did you handle the situation, and what were the challenges you faced?

Discussion Questions

1. Reading the passage in Colossians 1:16-17, how do you relate to the struggle between seeking control and embracing life's uncertainties? Where do you face challenges in trusting in God's timing and sovereignty, as highlighted in Proverbs 3:5-6?
2. Read Esther 4:14. How does the story of Esther illustrate God's providence and sovereignty even in the midst of seemingly chaotic circumstances? What lessons can we learn from Esther's willingness to step into her God-given role, despite the risks and uncertainties? (Romans 8:28)
3. Drawing from Colossians 3:23-24, which urges us to work diligently as if serving the Lord, how can we discern God's calling in our lives and actively engage in His ongoing work in the world? (See John 15:16 for further reflection.)
4. Considering Romans 8:28, which asserts God's sovereignty in working for the good of those who love Him, discuss the tension between God's control and human responsibility. How can we reconcile the truth of God's sovereignty with our own choices and actions? Furthermore, how does recognizing God's sovereignty empower us to trust Him more fully in every aspect of our lives? (Reflect on Proverbs 16:9 for deeper insight.)
5. Read Proverbs 3:5-6. It's important that we trust in God and acknowledge His guidance through the Holy Spirit. How can we practically apply this principle in our daily lives, both individually and as a Lifegroup community? Share specific ways you can intentionally seek to trust God's leading and align your actions with His will, considering how you can glorify God and serve others in your spheres of influence. (Reflect on 1 Corinthians 10:31 for deeper insight.)

Key Takeaway or Action Item:

Identify one specific area in your life where you have been struggling to trust God's timing or sovereignty. Be willing to share with your Lifegroup and commit to surrendering control of this area to God and seeking His guidance and wisdom through prayer and Scripture.

Additionally, choose one practical way to actively participate in God's work of loving and serving others, whether through volunteering, acts of kindness, or intentional discipleship.