



Life Groups 2018

NLC Life Group Through the Bible Study

Week of September 30, 2018

Sermon: Church Signs |

Son Screen Prevents Sin Burn

Life Group Schedule

15 MIN Eat, Meet & Greet

15 MIN Ice Breaker: **Categories.** Divide into groups of about 5 members each, teaming with people they know the least. Instruct each team to find at least 6 things in common with every member. Don't use simple things like height, hair color, or clothing. Limiting the similarities to non-material things helps people learn more about each other and engage in active, more meaningful conversations that promote inclusion and lasting connections. The game ends once every team has come up with 6 things they have in common; the winner is the team that achieves the objective first.

NOTE Because of the nature of the questions this week, we strongly encourage gender-based small group breakout discussions over the content.

OPENING PRAYER

45–60 MIN SON SCREEN PREVENTS SIN BURN

- Q1.** Have you ever run away from something? Escaped from something? Explain.
- Flee from desires you can't fight. Ref: 2 Timothy 2:22

THREE FLIGHT RESPONSES

1. When people tempt you. Ref: 1 Cor. 15:33; Pr. 13:20; Pr. 5:3-9; 1 Cor. 6:18
 - ...to be something you never intended to be, negative, unethical, unwise, impure, people who influence you in a negative way.
 2. When places entice you. Ref: Gen. 39:11-12;
 - Don't put yourself in a place of personal weakness and expect God's strength.
 3. When pleasures seduce you. Ref: Gal. 5:16; 1 Cor. 10:14;
 - Money, drugs/alcohol, fame, success, gossip, envy, immorality.
- Q2.** Have you ever craved something that's bad for you? Like a double cheeseburger at midnight or a third round at an all-you-can-eat buffet? How did you feel afterwards?

HOW TO FLEE. REF: JAMES 4:7

- We can't face temptation in our own strength, but only in the saving grace and resurrection power of Jesus. The power lies in running toward the goodness of God.

- Q3.** We know everybody has messed up! Made huge mistakes! But have you ever felt tempted—whether through a person, place, or thing—and you aced it? The Lord walked through it with you, and you came out stronger in your relationship with God? What happened?

- Q4.** Can you think of a time when someone tried to cover up their mistake? Maybe a politician or a prominent leader? Have you ever tried to cover up a mistake? What happened?
- Q5.** What might be the one thing your friends might want to tell you about you, but no one has the guts to say? (Are you willing to ask them what it is?)
- Q6.** What is the Lord encouraging you to uncover today with your friends? It could be an attitude adjustment, or it might be a temptation you're facing, or maybe it's something you haven't been able to shake from years ago.

TAKE PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAY OVER NEEDS

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