

10-05-25 Small Group Guide

Small Group Guide: Building Blocks of Faith

Key Takeaways:

1. Earnestly seeking God leads to rewards and spiritual growth.
2. Christianity is not just about initial salvation, but ongoing transformation.
3. We are called to build our faith and the church, not remain stagnant.
4. Our actions and choices in this life have eternal consequences.
5. God desires for us to continually grow closer to Him and become more like Christ.

Discussion Questions:

1. The pastor mentioned Hebrews 11:6, which says God "rewards those who earnestly seek him." What does it mean to "earnestly seek" God? How can we do this in our daily lives?
2. How has your faith grown since you first became a Christian? In what areas do you still need to grow?
3. The sermon emphasized that being a Christian is not just about "asking Jesus into your heart" but an ongoing process. How does this challenge or affirm your understanding of the Christian life?
4. Reflect on the analogy of building blocks. How does this relate to our spiritual growth? What "blocks" are you currently adding to your faith?
5. The pastor warned against being "Christians of convenience" or "chameleons." What does this mean, and how can we avoid falling into this trap?
6. How does the idea of God building His church (Matthew 16:18) impact your view of your role in the body of Christ?
7. The sermon mentioned 1 Corinthians 3:12-15, discussing how our works

will be tested by fire. How does this passage motivate you to live differently?

Practical Applications:

1. Daily Seeking: Commit to spending time each day intentionally seeking God through prayer, Bible study, or worship.
2. Self-Examination: Take time this week to honestly assess your spiritual growth. Identify areas where you've grown and areas that need attention.
3. Building Others Up: Practice using your words to encourage and build up others this week, as mentioned in Ephesians 4:29.
4. Earnest Seeking Challenge: Choose one aspect of your faith you want to grow in (e.g., prayer, Bible knowledge, serving others) and create a specific plan to "earnestly seek" growth in that area over the next month.
5. Church Involvement: Reflect on how you're contributing to building Christ's church. Consider taking on a new role or responsibility in your local congregation.
6. Accountability: Share with the group one area where you want to grow spiritually and ask them to hold you accountable in that pursuit.
7. Eternal Perspective: Each day this week, make a conscious effort to make decisions with eternity in mind, considering how your choices align with building your faith and God's kingdom.