



Sunday Recap Guide – The Purpose of Provision

E – Encouragement

Start your group by encouraging each other. Remind your group that God cares about every part of our lives—including our finances and daily needs. Share a quick win or blessing from this past week. Celebrate moments where God has provided—big or small.

Ask: Where have you seen God’s hand of provision in your life recently?

S – Scripture

Main Scriptures:

- *Acts 17:28 (AMP)* – “For in Him we live and move and exist [that is, in Him we actually have our being]...”
- *Psalms 23:1 (NCV)* – “The Lord is my shepherd; I have everything I need.”
- *Luke 16:10 (NLT)* – “And if you are untrustworthy about worldly wealth, who will trust you with the true riches of heaven?”
- *1 Kings 17:2–16 (NCV)* – The story of Elijah, the ravens, and the widow’s oil.
- *Philippians 4:19 (NKJV)* – “And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”

Deeper Dive:

The purpose of provision isn’t just to meet our needs—it’s to teach us to trust God as our *Source*. Resources (jobs, streams, people, opportunities) can change, but the Source (God) never changes. When the brook dried up for Elijah, it wasn’t the end—it was God leading him to the next place of provision. Similarly, when the widow gave the little she had, God multiplied it. Provision is both for us and through us—teaching us faith, trust, and generosity.

Discussion Questions:

1. What does it look like in your life to *trust God as your Source* and not just rely on resources?
2. Why do you think money is called the “kindergarten of the spiritual life”? What might God be teaching us through how we handle money?
3. Have you ever had a “brook dry up” moment where God shifted your resource? How did you see Him provide in a new way?
4. How can we practically put God *first* in our finances?

P – Prayer

Take time to pray together over this week’s focus: **trusting God as our Source.**

Prayer Prompts:

- Thank God for His faithful provision in your life.
- Ask God to help you recognize Him as your Source, not just the resources He uses.
- Pray for wisdom in managing finances in a way that honors God.
- Pray for courage to be generous—even when it feels like you have little.

Group Prayer Moment:

Invite people to share any financial or provision-related prayer requests. As a group, pray over these needs and declare Philippians 4:19 over each situation.

N – Next Steps

Personal Next Steps:

- This week, take a moment each day to thank God for one way He’s provided for you.
- Identify one area where you’ve been relying on a resource instead of the Source—and surrender it to God.
- Take a step of generosity this week (big or small) and trust God to multiply it.

Church Next Steps:

- If you haven’t yet, attend Growth Track to learn more about God’s purpose for your life.
- Look for opportunities to give toward Kingdom work at Lakeside and trust God with your finances.

- Share a testimony of God's provision with your group leader or in church to encourage others.