

Week of February 2, 2020 The Parable of the Dishonest Judge

IMPORTANT NOTE for the Facilitator - During the week before the meeting contact all members of your group. If anyone was absent last week, send a copy of the Guide for this week. **You also must complete a Guide.**

Which member of your group did you contact this week? How are they doing?

Encourage your group to spend time on the scripture passages, Luke 18:1-8, and respond to the questions from the Guide BEFORE the meeting time. The memory verse this week is Luke 18:7.

Open in Prayer and Welcome/Introductions

Remind the group of DiscipleGroup Guidelines (Confidentiality, Don't Rescue Don't Fix, No Crosstalk, Use Humor Responsibly, Give Everyone a Chance to Share, Use "I" Statements.)

DISCIPLEMAKER QUESTIONS

- At the last gathering we talked about the kingdom of God. Are there any more thoughts on that?
- How did your relational investments go this week? Where do you need help?

Go over the memory verses: Luke 17:6, 17:19, 17:20-21, 18:7. (You may also choose to go over verses from last year if you like.)

Ask someone to read the passage, Luke 18:1-8, or tell the story if they know it.

Ask the group to share their responses to the following:

- How has God spoken to you this week through this passage?
- What do you do when you get discouraged?
- Why do you think Jesus compared God's response to prayer with the dishonest judge's response?
- How does this parable speak to your prayer life? What needs to improve in your prayer life?

Ask someone to summarize or retell the passage.

Hand out Guides for the next passage in Luke. Luke 18:9-14, The Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector.

Close in Prayer.



During the week prior to your group meeting, spend some time studying the assigned passage: Luke 18:1-8. How has God spoken to you this week through these passages?

What do you do when you get discouraged?

Why do you think Jesus compared God's response to prayer with the dishonest judge's response?

How does this parable speak to your prayer life? What needs to improve in your prayer life?

The memory verse for this week is Luke 18:7. Write the verse below in the version you are learning. Review your past verses and Bible stories.

Remember to take this guide with you to the group meeting.