



**SMALL GROUP LEADERS: - Remember Prayer is your greatest preparation!**

Your group's success depends less on you than you might think and more on God than you realize. It's not about your abilities, your personality traits, or getting extensive training. It is about what Jesus said:

*"I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without Me."* [John 15:5]

**So pray, and trust God to do great things in your group!**

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**Ice Breaker:**

- How are you doing with Christmas shopping? What's your approach or strategy?
- What about Christmas do you enjoy the MOST? The LEAST?

**Into God's Word:**

- What point from the message are you repeating the most to yourself? Why?

Read Galatians 6:7-10

a) How does the principle of sowing & reaping apply to seasons of weariness in our lives?

b) In practice, why do we get tired of "doing good"?

c) How do you understand "proper time" in v. 9?

Leader Teaching Tip:

*Ensure your group understand that time falls under God's sovereignty and that we must trust God in the how, the what, AND the when.*

**Apply the Word:**

a) Where in your life right now do you most feel like Peter did after a long night of work and with nothing to show for it?

b) Where in your life is it hard to trust God's word more than your own perceptions & interpretations? Where in your life might God be asking you to do it again and do it His way?

c) Recall how Luke 5:1-11 ends (see vv. 10-11). Explain why this story is about a lot more than fish. Where in your life are you tempted to make your relationship with God only about the fish and the empty boat (vs. His mission)?

d) As a group, discuss opportunities we have at Rock Bridge to "fish" for bigger fish and we are all called to participate in the mission of God.

Leader Vision Casting:

*Remind your group of our special Christmas Eve services offered at multiple times and see who they are praying about inviting to church with them.*

**Prayer:**

*God, in my \_\_\_\_\_ I need to trust Your Word and do it Your way. Give me strength.*

**\*\*Also, pray together for our Christmas Eve services.**