



Rock Bridge Small Group Discussion Guide
Habits, Vices & Sins, Oh My! - Part 6
LEADER GUIDE

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!

Ice Breaker: (Choose one)

*How do you relax?

*Share a favorite memory or life lesson from watching your mother.

Into the Word:

*If you could summarize this message in one sentence, what would you say?

Read Proverbs 6:6-11

a) What characteristics of the ant does the author emphasize?

b) Think through and discuss this passage in the following ways:

- WARNING: What does this passage warn readers about?
- EXPLANATION: How might this passage be an explanation for someone's troubles or consequences?
- PURPOSE: How does this passage challenge us regarding our purpose and priorities in life?

Apply the Word:

a) How did the message and understanding of sloth cause you to think differently about your life and how you spend your time?

b) Share one area in your life where you might be "sleeping" or slothful? Why is this area a struggle for you? How can our group support you?

c) Matt asked the question: *Is there anything in REAL life I am passionate about? Zealous for?* Read the following quote and then share where and how God might be stirring your passion for Him, His purpose, and His plan for your life at this moment?

"There is in America today ... boredom and apathy. We look like we are having a great time ... but it is all artificial. We are not excited about real life. We are desperately waiting for the weekend when we can play because real life is not just connected with any great cause that inspires in us exploits of courage or daring or risk or adventure or deep camaraderie."

d) What steps do you need to take to make the most of the *kairos* (appointed) time?

Prayer Time:

Pray for the person seated on your left about the passion they shared in question "c" above. Use the following Scripture to pray over one another:

Romans 12:11

Do not lack diligence in zeal; be fervent in the Spirit; serve the Lord

Also join us in praying for our big prayer asks listed here:

- *For people to be set free from sins that hold them back from life in Christ.*
- *For our church to reach the lost, resulting in 400 baptisms this year.*
- *For our BOLD Initiative - to reach 10K people for Jesus.*