



Rock Bridge Small Group Discussion Guide Intersection – Part 2 LEADER GUIDE

SMALL GROUP LEADERS: - Remember the C's of Small group health:

CONTENT - *biblical, intentional, and conversational*

CONSISTENCY - *regular meetings and interactions with one another*

CCARE - *sharing life's ups and downs with grace, love and encouragement*

CELEBRATION - *celebrating God's grace to us and having fun together*

COMMISSION - *participating in what God is doing now during our lifetime on earth*

CHARACTER - *as a leader – growing in my example for my group*

Ice Breaker:

*When do you most hate to be interrupted (i.e.-watching a game; while eating; in the bathroom; etc.)

*Is it hard for you to ignore a text message? On average, how long until you look at it and reply?

Into the Word:

Read James 4:13-17

a) What sin(s) does James have in mind as he is writing these verses?

b) How do these verses teach the sovereignty of God?

c) According to these verses, what is our responsibility as God's people?

Teaching Note: *If needed, help your group to see that James is cautioning his readers against presumption and a lack of dependence on God.*

d) Read Proverbs 3:5-6. Compare and contrast this passage with James 4:13-17. Based on these two passages how should we live our lives?

Apply the Word:

a) What part of the message are you continuing to think about this week? Why?

b) In light of the message, the story of Ruth and the passages we studied above, what changes do you commit to making in terms of how you approach your today? What do you want to do every day that lives more faithful to the story of God?

c) What barriers exist to the commitment you shared above? How can our group support one another?

Prayer:

Ask each group member to name a person and/or a place where they need to be more like Boaz... then have group members pray for each other to live more faithfully, to represent God more correctly with those people and in those places.

ALSO, please join us in prayer as a church for these things:

- For us to see our place in God's story and move to fully "Living Sent" for Him.
- For the disconnected to get plugged into community and biblical relationships.
- For us to be filled with Jesus, demonstrating love to a hurting world.