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GraceGroup 201 Weekly Agenda

Lesson 45 – Week of December 7th

1. Mingling and catching up. (10 minutes) __:00 - __:10
2. Begin with a short prayer for your time together. (5 minutes) __:10 - __:15
3. Move to a time of accountability. (20 minutes) __:15 - __:35

   i. **Accountability Questions on your Work & Vocation**
   - ☐ Did you work diligently and with integrity as unto the Lord?
   - ☐ Were you content and thankful for your work circumstances?
   - ☐ How have you sought to balance work and rest wisely?
   - ☐ Did you let work become an idol?
   - ☐ How did you seek to serve others and glorify God in your vocation?

   ii. **Homework**
   - ☐ Did you accomplish at least five devotionals last week?
   - ☐ Did you read *The Gospel Centered Community*, Lesson 8?
   - ☐ Did you read *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church*, Mark 8?
   - ☐ Did you read days 164-166 of *Everyday Gospel Bible*?
   - ☐ Memorize Matthew 28:19-20 – " Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

4. Lesson Time (40-55 minutes) __:35 - __:15 __:35 - __:30

From *Gospel-Centered Community*, Lesson 8:

i. Have you ever been in a community where you felt accepted (not perfectly, of course, but genuinely)? What made you feel that way?

ii. Do you tend toward some aspect of ***pride*** as it was laid out in this article? Which scenario or description remind you of yourself?

iii. Do you tend toward some aspect of ***fear*** as it was laid out in this article? Which scenario or description remind you of yourself?

iv. On a scale of 1 to 10 (1 being low, 10 being high), how grace filled would you say our community is? Why did you choose the number you did?

v. From the exercise (pages 84-85): Which of these sinful tendencies do you see most often in yourself? What aspects of Spirit-driven acceptance do you find compelling?

vi. What excited you or motivates you about being part of a community like that (right column)?

From *Nine Mark*, Mark Eight:

i. How did this chapter encourage, challenge or inform your understanding of prayer?

ii. From page 230, what is the definition of prayer?

a) From page 230, Dever says God hears *"all* prayers and only *some* prayer." What does he mean by that? Answer: "He hears all prayer in that he knows what we will say before we even say it. But he has obligated himself to hear – *in the sense of obligating himself to answer* – only the prayer of those he has adopted as his children in faith in Christ." P. 230

iii. From pages 232-234, how should we respond when God does not answer our prayers? Answer: We can be sure that God makes himself known (from page 233). Also: "The great Puritan Joseph Hall once said, 'Good prayers never came weeping home. I am sure I shall receive, either what I ask or what I should ask.'." Page 233

iv. From pages 235-246, Dever makes nine statements regarding prayer in the church. Were there any that surprised you or encouraged you?

5. Prayer time (15 minutes) __:15 - __:30 __:30 - __:45

i. Ask for specific prayer requests from members.

ii. Pray for one another as you wish (example, each person prays for the person on their left).

iii. Write down these prayer requests so you can follow up in the next meeting.

HOMEWORK

Week of December 14th

- ☐ *The Gospel Centered Community* – Lesson 9
- ☐ *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church* – Mark Nine
- ☐ *Everyday Gospel Bible:* Days 167-170
- ☐ Memorize Matthew 28:19-20 – " Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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