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MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

Please feel free to pick and choose questions that relate best to you and your Life Group.

Pack Your Bags – Week 1 Now and Then

ICE-BREAKER: How do you typically respond to change? Does it excite you or stress you out?

We can measure the effectiveness of our Bible study time by the effect it has on our behavior and attitudes. Do you put into action what you have studied?

What has made the most difference in your life? Hearing something or doing it?

Talk about a time when you knew what was coming next, but still found yourself unprepared when the change arrived. What could you have done differently to create a smoother transition?

Think about your current season of life. How stressful was your transition into this season? When you were in your previous season, did you do anything to prepare for this season?

READ: James 1:22–25

What is the payoff mentioned in James 1:25? Have you experienced this?

How have you experienced freedom by doing the Word of God?

Has Scripture ever revealed something about you that you needed to change? If so, what did you do? How ready were you to do it?

Is there a piece of wisdom from the Bible that you *know*, but have yet to do anything about? What prevents you from applying what you know?

Whether you're currently in transition or life seems stable, what is one thing you can do now to prepare for the next season? How can this group help you?

What makes it hard for us to practice what we know?

What is one thing God is saying you need to do today?