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MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

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

Growing Stronger...in Character Week 7

Ice-Breaker – Have you ever been lied to? How did that make you feel? Have you ever lied to others? Did they find out? How do you think they felt?

How do you know when someone is lying to you? How did Peter recognize when he was being lied to?

READ: Acts 5:1-11

How did Ananias and Sapphira's transaction compare with Barnabas's?

Where did Ananias and Sapphira go wrong? What did they have to gain by lying?

What was the consequence of Ananias's sin? How did people respond to his death?

Why do you think God punished Ananias and Sapphira so severely?

How do you think you might have felt if you had been one of those who carried out and buried Ananias and Sapphira?

In your own personal and professional life, when or where are you most tempted to be dishonest, unethical, or lacking in integrity?

The happenings of Acts 5:1-11 are historic events. How do you feel about what happened? Does this make you afraid of God? What is the key take away from this story for you?

If there was deception in our church community, how do you think our church leaders would handle it?

How could Ananias and Sapphira have acted differently? How do you think that would have changed the outcome?

Why do some people tend to hold back in their giving to God?

How can you help yourself be honest with God and with others?