

Lesson Title

Grace Group Host's Guide

Grow Closer In FELLOWSHIP with One Another

Spend 5 to 10 minutes connecting in community with one another with these basic relational questions:

- How has the week been for each of you?
- Has anything changed in your life since the last time we met as a group?

Grow Deeper in MATURITY with One Another

Spend approximately 30 minutes studying the Bible together, including the video accompanying this lesson.

Read together from Ecclesiastes 1:12-18. Then watch the video.

Pursuing knowledge for the sake of knowledge itself is a futile, never-ending effort that leaves us feeling that our search was in vain. But wisdom connected to eternal values makes all the difference.

Questions for discussion...

- How do we sometimes “entertain” our brains with the Bible instead of seeking real wisdom from it?
- Why do you think Solomon felt miserable after his endless pursuit of wisdom?
- In what area of your life do you need wisdom right now?
- What is something you've *learned* lately that you've also *lived*?

Grow Broader in MINISTRY with One Another

Spend 5 to 10 minutes talking about how your ministry together as a group can reflect your collective passions.

- Who, within our group, might have a need we can meet together?
- How can we, as a group, serve together in the next three to four weeks?

Grow Larger through EVANGELISM by Including Others

Spend just a few minutes praying for people far from God and talking about how to reach them.

- Who can we pray for, as a group, that needs to know Jesus?
- Who could we invite and include that isn't in a group now?

Grow Stronger in WORSHIP with One Another

Spend 10 minutes or so expressing needs, sharing victories, and praying. Never pressure anyone to pray out loud, but always offer the opportunity for whoever wishes to do so.

- Share stories of how God has answered prayer, either for yourself or as you have prayed for other people.
- Praise God as a group for these answers.
- Pray together for any needs the group expresses. Invite several people pray, but don't require anyone to pray out loud who isn't comfortable.