SMALL GROUP LESSON PLAN

Teaching The Bible Through Practical Biblical Teaching

- Greeting/Opening Prayer/Food & Friendship
- **Icebreaker** ~ What was the strangest holiday present you ever received- did you re-gift it?
- Testimonies/Good news/What are you thankful for?
- WOF's Purpose:
 - 1) We teach and educate exercising believer's rights through practical application
 - 2) We are a holistic church- development of spirit, soul, and body

- (Facilitator Notes)
- 3) We are a mission's church serving both domestic and international
- Short review of what was preached at service on Sunday
- Facilitation of Lesson

"FIVE ELEMENTS OF FAITH"-Book by Bishop Keith A. Butler BELIEVING

<u>Faith has five elements</u> that we must understand and practice (doing), in order to live successful Christian lives; and successfully achieve and complete the assignment God has chosen for our lives. They are: **hearing, receiving, believing, speaking, and acting** on God's Word. In this lesson we will discuss the importance of **BELIEVING** is foundational to a relationship with Him. Anyone who comes to God, Must believe that He exists and rewards those who earnestly seem Him. Therefore, **believing** is a decision that we make with our hearts, to commit and trust God and His word; and should include a change of life!

READ: Hebrews 11:6 - Believing in the existence of God and putting your trust in Him and His Word is the basis of faith.

1. Describe your earliest experience of believing in God and putting your trust in Jesus as Lord and Savior.

READ: Mark 9:17-24 AMPC, Romans 10:9-10 AMPC - Jesus said, *all* things are possible for those who believe in their heart or commit their trust to God and His word.

- 2. Share a time in your life when you believed God and His word for a seemingly impossible situation. What was the outcome?
- 3. Discuss obstacles that may interfere with or hinder your believing God's Word.

READ: James 2:17-23 AMPC Faith (belief, trust, confidence) that does not result in actions is a dead faith

- 4. What action steps are necessary for you to develop/improve your faith walk?
- 5. .My guiding principles are...?
- Time of Decision (Everyone Bow Your Heads)
- <u>1)</u> <u>Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior:</u>*Some may have never received Jesus.*You may be a good person, giveto the poor, and serve in the community. *Has there been a day where you confessed Jesus and Lord?

(Read Romans 10:9) If need to make this decision, raise your hand:

What to do next: Have them repeat after you: "I believe that Jesus is the son of God. I believe he died for me bearing my sins for me. I believe he rose from the dead and is alive right now. Dear Lord Jesus, come into my life now! Come into my heart now! I believe in my heart, and say with my mouth that Jesus Christ is my personal Lord as Savior. And I am, right now, born again."

2) Rededicate your life: *Is your life a mess? *Are you struggling right now? *You know something is just off in life? {Read 1 John 1:9} If you want to be restored with God, raise your hand:

What to do next: Lead the person in the following prayer, allowing them to repent before God for the area they have sinned: "Father, I come before you in the Name of Jesus asking for forgiveness ... (allow the person to personally speak to God about the specific thing they are repenting for). After they are finished, close out the prayer with them, thanking God for forgiveness and restoration."

- Time of Prayer
- Your Circle: (Family, Friends and those you have influence with) How's it going?
- Announcements-Next WOF service and any additional announcements
- Dismissal

