

SMALL GROUP LESSON PLAN



Teaching The Bible Through Practical Biblical Teaching

- **Greeting/Opening Prayer/Food & Friendship**
- **Icebreaker** ~ What's the furthest you've ran?
- **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
 - 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**

(Facilitator Notes)

Persistent In Faith

Persistent is defined as being tenacious or obstinately continuing despite problems or difficulties (Encarta Dictionary) Bible **Faith** is defined as *the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen* (Hebrews 11:1) **Persistent** faith is an adjective that is used to characterize the type of faith we should apply to our lives. Therefore, **Persistent In Faith** is believing God could do something at any moment that could change the direction of your life, **so we must keep moving forward; knowing and in full confidence** that God is able to do as He has promised you He would do. God rewards us when we are **persistent in faith**. Because it is our faith that pleases Him. God instructs us in His Word not to be double minded or doubtful in our asking, but to keep asking, to keep seeking, and to keep knocking. He is a rewarder of those who are persistent in faith.

READ: Lamentations 3: 22-26, Hebrews 11:1-2, 6 KJV Know that God rewards us when we are diligent concerning our faith in Him.

1. What "word picture comes to mind when you hear the word PERSISTENT?
2. Share your earliest recollection of being persistent (naturally or spiritually).
3. What efforts were taken? What was the outcome?

READ: Philippians 1:6, James 1:6-8, 12, Ephesians 3:20-21 NLT We must believe that God will manifest our prayers in His way according to the power **at work within us** and in **His timing**.

4. Explain the outcomes you've found happening when you have allowed **doubt** to steal your faith?
5. What adjustments or changes did you make (or could you have made) to ensure that you were persistent in faith?

- **Time of Decision** (Everyone Bow Your Heads)

1) Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior: *Some may have never received Jesus. *You may be a good person, give to 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**

Prayer focus: 1) Your Circle (friends and family) 2) Small Group members 3) Word of Faith Leadership
Have you reached out to your circle today?