

SMALL GROUP LESSON PLAN

Teaching The Bible Through Practical Biblical Teaching

- **Greeting/Opening Prayer/Food & Friendship**
- **Icebreaker** ~ Complete the following: "I wish everyone could..."
- **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)

THE NAMES OF GOD - Book by Marilyn Hickey **JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU -The Lord My Righteousness**

Today we will discuss another compound name of God: **Jehovah Tsidkenu**, pronounced 'tsid-kay-noo', means in Hebrew: "The Lord My Righteousness." Righteousness is defined as the quality of being morally right or justifiable; it is nearly equivalent to holiness, justice, honesty and in short, true religion. It is God alone who provides righteousness to man, in Christ. Christ became sin for us that we might become His Righteousness. When we accept Christ as Lord and Savior, God exchanges our sinful nature and filthy rags for His beautiful robe of righteousness. The great news is that we cannot to earn His Righteousness by good deeds; it is a part of the benefit package of accepting Jesus as our Lord and Savior that we **become Righteous**. Hallelujah!!!

READ: Jeremiah 23:6; Romans 1: 16-17; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21— The Righteousness is God's is revealed to us in Christ's nature and character. God's gives (exchanges) the "gift" of righteousness to man who trust in Him as Savior.

1. How do you "feel" when you receive a gift that is greater than the gift you've given?
2. According to the cited scriptures what makes us righteous in the eyes of God

READ: Acts 9:1-6; 17-18; First Timothy 1:12-15—Saul (Paul) was considered a terrible man, but "In Christ" he was considered the righteousness of God.

3. How did Paul become the righteousness of God?
4. Describe your conversion experience. What was the 1st thing you noticed in your life that you had been "made right" since you accepted Jesus Christ as Savior.

READ: Isaiah 61:10-11; 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Ephesians 4:21-24— We're given opportunity to walk in the righteousness of God thru Jesus and His example of righteousness.

5. What deeds or acts of kindness have been or are being done by mankind to make them believe they are "good enough" to earn" an "at a boy" from God?
6. In your own words, what "acts of kindness" should we do that would make God and others see that we are children of the Righteousness of God?

- **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?