



LIFEWAY LITE

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Ice breakers

How's your soil?

Recently, how have you experienced Biblical community and how have you been Biblical community to others?

Main Idea

When we bury God's principles in our soil, He grows them, and we experience blessings as a result. However, the blessings we experience are for the purpose of demonstrating Christ to the world so that others may come to know Christ and dwell with Him in the future.

Weekly Challenge

Devote Daily - Set time out in your day to dwell on what the harvest is and its impact on your life and the lives of others. Additionally, take time out to assess how God is growing His principles in you. Lastly, pray for opportunities to testify of Christ to those around you, non believers included.

Key Verses- Mark 4:26-29

Jesus also said, "The Kingdom of God is like a farmer who scatters seed on the ground. Night and day, while he's asleep or awake, the seed sprouts and grows, but he does not understand how it happens. The earth produces the crops on its own. First a leaf blade pushes through, then the heads of wheat are formed, and finally the grain ripens. And as soon as the grain is ready, the farmer comes and harvests it with a sickle, for the harvest time has come."

Discussion Questions

- 1) Lately, what principles from scripture have you been burying in your soil? Have you seen any fruit as a result?
- 2) Why does God bless us when we bury His principles in our lives?
- 3) How does the promised future that we have in Christ affect your outlook on the world and the way you live your life?
- 4) How do we balance concern for self with glorifying God by using how He has blessed us to bless and serve others?
- 5) We were created and saved for the purpose of being in relationship with God, glorifying Him, and testifying of Him to the world. Having priorities for our lives that differ from God's desire for our lives distracts us from living a life that fulfills our purpose. How do we align our hearts with God's? What does scripture have to say about this?
- 6) Dig Deeper: In what ways have you seen Christians make Christianity about themselves and not about God, His will and His plans? Currently, are there areas in your life where you have made yourself and your wants the center of your faith? If there are, share those areas with your group and why you think you're functioning in this way.