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FAITH IN ACTION

A 6-SESSION GUIDE

Six ready-to-run small group discussions on serving, enduring, and living out faith in everyday life — no extra prep required.

“FAITH WITHOUT DEEDS IS DEAD.” — JAMES 2:26

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HOW TO LEAD THIS GUIDE

You don't need to be a Bible scholar to lead a good discussion — you need to be willing to ask a question and then wait.

BEFORE EACH SESSION

- Read the passage yourself, more than once, before the group meets
- You don't have to have all the answers — "I don't know, what do the rest of you think?" is a completely valid response
- Pick 2–3 of the four questions if you're short on time. You don't have to use all of them.

DURING THE DISCUSSION

- Let silence sit for a few seconds before you jump in — people are often just thinking
- If one person dominates, try "let's hear from someone who hasn't shared yet"
- Redirect rabbit holes gently: "that's a good tangent — let's come back to it after, and get back to the passage for now"
- Model vulnerability first. Groups go as deep as their leader is willing to go.

CLOSING WELL

- End on time, even mid-conversation — people will come back if they trust you'll respect their evening
- Always end with the application question and a prayer, even if you're rushed
- Follow up with anyone who shared something heavy, outside of group time

SESSION 1

CALLED TO SERVE

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

MARK 10:45

OPENING QUESTION

Think of someone who served you when they didn't have to. What did that do for you?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Jesus, fully God, chose to serve rather than be served. What does that tell us about what real greatness looks like?
2. What's the difference between serving out of obligation and serving out of love?
3. Where in your life right now is it hardest to serve without expecting something back?
4. Who's someone in your life you could serve this week — not as a project, but as a person?

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

Do one act of service this week for someone who can't repay you, and don't tell anyone about it.

CLOSING PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to show each person one specific way to serve someone this week — and for the humility to actually do it.

SESSION 2

ENDURANCE IN THE HARD SEASONS

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance."

JAMES 1:2-3

OPENING QUESTION

What's something hard you're in the middle of right now — big or small?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. James says to consider trials "pure joy." Does that feel realistic to you? Why or why not?
2. Can you think of a hard season that ended up producing something good in you?
3. What's the difference between gritting your teeth through hardship and actually growing through it?
4. Who in your life models endurance well? What do they do differently?

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

Name one hard thing you're facing to someone in this group, instead of carrying it alone.

CLOSING PRAYER PROMPT

Pray specifically for whatever hard season someone in the group named tonight.

SESSION 3

COMMUNITY OVER ISOLATION

"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: if either of them falls down, one can help the other up."

ECCLESIASTES 4:9-10

OPENING QUESTION

When you're struggling, is your instinct to reach out or to withdraw? Why do you think that is?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What makes it hard to actually let people help you, even when you need it?
2. Read Hebrews 10:24–25. What does it look like practically to "spur one another on"?
3. Is there a relationship in your life right now that needs more honesty, not less?
4. What would it look like for this group to actually function like the "two are better than one" picture?

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

Reach out to one person you've been avoiding or drifting from, just to reconnect.

CLOSING PRAYER PROMPT

Pray for the specific relationships named tonight — for courage to reach out.



SESSION 4

GENEROSITY THAT COSTS SOMETHING

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7

OPENING QUESTION

What's the most meaningful gift you've ever received — not the most expensive, the most meaningful?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What's the difference between giving out of excess and giving in a way that actually costs you something?
2. Why do you think Scripture ties generosity so closely to the condition of the heart, not just the amount?
3. What holds most people back from being generous — fear, comparison, something else?
4. Is there an area of your life (time, money, attention) where you sense God inviting you to loosen your grip?

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

Give something away this week that would actually cost you — time, money, or comfort.

CLOSING PRAYER PROMPT

Ask God to loosen any tight grip on money, time, or comfort in the group's life this week.

SESSION 5

PRAYER AS A WAY OF LIFE

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances."

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16–18

OPENING QUESTION

Honestly — what does your prayer life actually look like most weeks?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. "Pray continually" sounds impossible on the surface. What do you think Paul actually meant?
2. What's something that's gotten in the way of prayer being a rhythm rather than an emergency response?
3. Has there been a season when prayer felt real and alive to you? What was different about it?
4. What's one small, realistic shift you could make to pray more consistently?

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

Try the Personal Prayer Rhythm from the Prayer Guide & Prayer Wall Templates resource, even just once this week.

CLOSING PRAYER PROMPT

Take turns praying one sentence each, out loud, around the group.

SESSION 6

LIVING SENT

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

MATTHEW 5:16

OPENING QUESTION

Where do you spend most of your week — and does your faith show up there, or stay separate from it?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What's the difference between living "sent" into your everyday life versus treating faith as a Sunday-only thing?
2. Looking back on this six-week series, what's one idea that actually stuck with you?
3. What's one place in your regular week — work, school, your street — where you could let your faith be more visible?
4. How can this group keep pushing each other in this after tonight?

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

Pick one place from tonight's discussion and take one concrete step there this week.

CLOSING PRAYER PROMPT

Thank God for this group and this series, and ask Him to keep shaping how you each live this out.