

Community Group Guide

Sermon Series: PERFECT

This template for your group will serve as the CG guide each week. We have provided a list of each week's passage for the series for you to study using this template. Our desire for studying the Bible this way is to help you develop stronger, in-depth Bible study methods. Many times we relate "depth" with content written about the Bible by someone else. While this is helpful and maybe a deeper look at the bible, it fails to help you go deeper into the word on your own. Think of it this way, you can watch a video of a person scuba diving in the depths of the ocean while they describe to you what's going on. This will teach us some things about the ocean and maybe some about diving. What it will fail to do is teach us to dive so we can experience the depths of the ocean for ourselves. We want you to learn how to dive deep into the Bible on your own and learn to ask the right questions in the process. So have fun, dig deep, and live out what you learn.

We will end each week with an I WILL commitment in response to God's word. You may not have a new response every week, but it is important to follow up as a group on your I will statements, in order to encourage each other as we grow in the Lord.

Matthew 7:24 NIV - "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine **and puts them into practice** is like a wise man who built his house on the rock."

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Welcome and introduce any new group members

Open in Prayer: Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your discussion and speak to each of you.

Read this week's passage

What Does it Say:

1. Ask someone to retell the passage in their own words
 - a. How did they do? Anything to add that they missed?
2. What does the passage tell us about God?
 - a. His character, heart, desires
3. Are there any commands “do” or warnings “don’t do” in the passage?
4. Who is mentioned in the passage?
5. Are there any promises?
6. Do you see any references to Jesus or imagery of Him in the passage?
7. Do you see the Holy Spirit in the passage?

What does it Mean?

1. What did God intend by what he said or did?
2. What does God want us to learn from this passage?
3. What does it mean for me?

What will I do?

1. Do I believe what it says and what it means?
2. How should I respond?
3. What will I commit to doing in response to this? Write a short “I will statement” I will _____.
Or share the progress of last week’s “I WILL” statement

*It is important to not skip this step. You may not have a new “I will” statement every week, but it is important to write them down and follow up. Ask how the group can help support them.

Wrap up:

Share, Care, Prayer

Community Group Passages

PERFECT: God's plan for us

From Creation to Christ God has a plan and purpose.

Any plan that is not God's plan is not a perfect plan

Oct 23	Perfect Creation	Genesis 1:1-25
Oct 30	Perfect People	Genesis 2:1-25
Nov 6	Imperfect People	Genesis 3:1-13
Nov 13	Imperfect World	Genesis 3:14-24
Nov 20	Washed	Genesis 6:1-9, 17
Nov 26	The Promise	Genesis 12:1-8, 15:1-6
Dec 4	Passed Over	Exodus 12:1-28
Dec 11	Perfect Sacrifice	Leviticus 4:1-35
Dec 18	Perfection is coming	Isaiah 53