

PEFC Weekly Family & Small Group Study Guide

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Paynesville Evangelical Free Church

What is a Disciple?

Disciples Listen to God

Psalm 119:1-16



Big Idea

God Reveals Truth Through His Word, and Disciples Listen and Put it into Action!

1. Disciples listen to God's revelation through the word.
2. A disciple's love for God is expressed in heart attitude, words & actions.

Introduction

What is one of your favorite Bible passages or verses? How has it impacted your life or helped you in a time of need?

Bible Study Questions

Have someone read Psalm 119:1-16.

What is the mood of this Psalm (skim through some of the continuing verses for more clues)? What is the Psalmist preoccupied with? Why do you think this may be (or what circumstances might be in the background)? How might the Word of God speak into the Psalmist's greatest need?

Look at the different words used to depict God's Word. What might this varied usage teach us of God's revelation to us (for example: what might "law" denote)?

What are some qualities of the Word of God that we see expressed in these verses? What do they teach us about God and his word?

As you read through these verses, circle the benefits connected to God's word (I see at least 6). Pick out one and describe why it is meaningful in your life.

According to these verses, how do we acquire the benefits of God's word in our lives? What might be some examples of how to live this out in our daily lives?

What do these verses indicate should be our motivation for following God's Word? Compare or contrast this to how you have applied or followed God's direction at some point in your life.

What does it mean to have "*hidden your word in my heart*" (vs 11)? What is the connection between this and overcoming sin? Why might this be?

Identify the 5 action verbs (4 positive and one negative) in verses 4-16. How might these relate to one another? Describe how one or more of these might look in your life this week.

Next Steps

Read through and consider some of the laws, statutes, precepts, decrees and commands that God has given us (Some helpful places to look would be Matthew 5-7, John 13:13-17, Phil, 1:27-28, Galatians 5:13-21).

Memorize a verse that has been encouraging or helpful in your life.

List three ways you can delight in obeying God's word in your life this week.

Prayer

Thank God for speaking to us through the revelation of his word! Share life needs within your group and pray for one another. Remember that prayer requests need to remain confidential and not be repeated outside your group without permission.