

Getting into Our LivesGroup time - 20 minutes

1. Practically speaking, what does it look like for you to live in conscious dependence on God for your needs? How will this study affect how you pray for those needs?
2. How have you seen God take care of your physical needs in the past? Have you ever (or now) felt like God wasn't holding up his end of the bargain? How should you respond to those times?
3. Is anyone in specific physical need in your group? How can you as a group help be the hands of God to lift up and provide for them?

Getting Out the GospelGroup time - 5 minutes

What physical needs are present in your neighborhood or in the lives of those you are praying for? Is there a way you can be an extension of God's grace to provide for them?

Another idea would be to pray about bringing food to a neighbor in hopes of sharing with them the bread of heaven.

Getting into PrayerGroup time - 10 minutes

Each week during this series we will place another biblical prayer in this section. Pray through these in a God-centered and meaningful way.

And I pray this, that your love may abound even more and more in knowledge and every kind of insight so that you can decide what is best, and thus be sincere and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ to the glory and praise of God.

Philippians 1:9-11

Our Ever-Present Need

Matthew 6:11

I. The Breakdown

Bread _____ Needs

This Day/Daily _____ Needs

Us/Our _____ Needs

Give _____ Needs

1) We are _____.

2) God is _____.

II. The Big Questions

1) *What if I don't need God to take care of my physical needs?*

2) *What about when God doesn't take care of my physical needs?*

III. The Better Bread

***God's people pray for their present physical needs
in order to take part in God's plan for His glory.***

I never knew:

I need to change:

I should share:

GROWTH GROUP QUESTIONS

Week of February 18, 2018

Getting StartedGroup time - 15 minutes

1. What is your favorite grocery store? Why?
2. What is the longest you have gone without food? Describe your experience.
3. (If you have children) What was the longest you've let your child go without food? Explain the circumstances and reason.

FOR GROWTH GROUP TIME

Getting into God's WordGroup time - 40 minutes

Read Matthew 6:11

1. Read the verse in 4 different translations (you can use BibleGateway.com). What did you learn from this?
2. What is the significance of "daily bread"? Why do we need to ask of it from God?
3. Why does this request follow after God's glory, kingdom and will? See also: **Matthew 6:9-10**

PERSONAL: Has this part of the prayer been meaningful to you in the past? If so, what were the circumstances when it was? If not, why do you think that is?

4. Why does Jesus think our present physical needs are important to bring to God?

Read James 1:17; 1 Corinthians 4:7; Psalm 104:14-15,27-28

5. Why is it important to understand and recognize our total dependence upon God?

PERSONAL: What can lure us away from thinking we need God?

Read Philippians 4:19, 11-13

6. How does Paul's promise of God's provision match up with his own experiences? How can God be considered a benevolent provider if His people go hungry?

Read Romans 8:32, 35-37

7. Paul admits that Christians will die of physical needs, so then what does Paul mean when he says God will give us "all things"?

Read John 6:25-29; 32-35

8. What is the bread that Jesus offers? How do we receive it?