

EPHESIANS TABLE LEADER GUIDE

- We encourage each table leader to be the first to be transparent. When the guests at the table see the leader is willing to unpack their baggage first, it creates a safe place for them to share their story as well.
- Consider small encouraging notes to set on each person's chair before they arrive or a scripture out of Ephesians especially them. If creativity is a gift, run with it. If not, just a nicely typed scripture on decorative paper would do.
- Motivate the group to memorize the weekly legend. Consider a prize at the end of the study for the table guest who memorized the most. Provide some memorization tips and encourage each other weekly to keep up the great work.
- Prepare snacks or share the responsibilities with others. However, water is perfectly acceptable.
- Consider group text messages to keep up with prayer needs through the week. Or encourage each person at the table to take responsibility for a different person each week, and faithfully pray for them that week.
- Weekly encourage each person at the table to share a scripture verse that really spoke to them as they read their designated weekly routes. Inform them in advance that this will be asked at each gathering.
- It's appropriate to combine the questions from the book and the leader's guide when the group meets each week.
- Finally, pray. The prayers of the leader are the most effective for the group. Lift up their needs weekly, and prepare for the meetings through personal prayer and study.

WEEK ONE: FINDING THE REAL YOU

1. Now that you've learned about what it means to belong to God, how has this changed your perspective about your relationship with Him?
2. What are some ways you can keep the joy of your salvation fresh?
3. What are some of the things you've discovered this week as your Spiritual Inheritance?
4. What are some of the ways you can display His love in your everyday life?



WEEK TWO: UNWRAPPING THE MYSTERIES OF GOD

1. Share a time when God spoke to you and how that changed your situation?
2. How does it feel to know that God wants to use your story, even the painful parts, to reach someone else?
3. How do you stay connected to God's life-giving presence? Do you struggle with this?
4. Share a time when you let the way you saw yourself color your view of God's love for yourself?



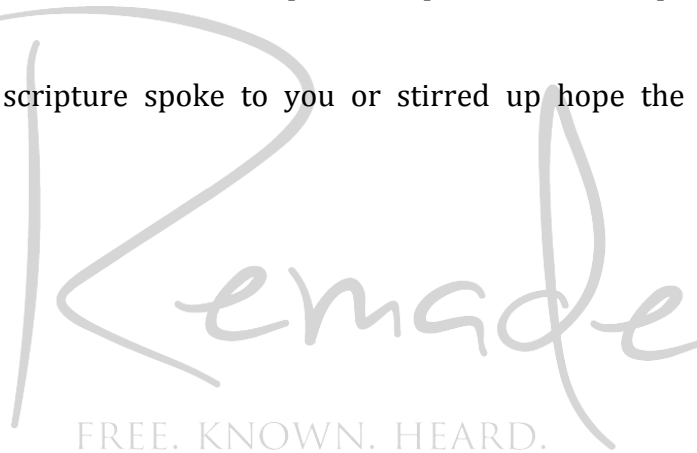
WEEK THREE: UNITY IN THE SPIRIT

1. When you feel a battle within you between flesh and Spirit, how does the Spirit speak to you?
2. How has the understanding of spiritual maturity changed the way you look at your own spiritual walk?
3. Share a time when you truly forgave someone and how you felt after.
4. Is there a specific area where you feel called to help others who struggle with sin, if so why?



WEEK FOUR: OTHERS BEFORE YOURSELF: RELATING HIS WAY

1. Share what you found to be the hardest part in this week's chapter and how God walked you through it.
2. If comfortable, share a relationship are you struggling to relate God's way, and what specifically you're struggling with. Let the person to your right know you will pray for them this week. (God knows the name of our boss, spouse, child, and friend so we don't need to share them here.)
3. Briefly share to the group a time you were wounded by a close relationship in such a way it held you back from relating to others in the same role. Share the scripture in Ephesians that helped you with this.
4. Which scripture spoke to you or stirred up hope the most this week?



WEEK FIVE: KEY STRATEGIES FOR KINGDOM LIVING

1. Briefly share a time when you endured a difficult season but God used it for His purposes.
2. How has the description of Beth's kids arguing and the enemy standing behind them changed the way you view and handle arguments?
3. Share how learning the statistics of pastors and churches has changed the way you see and pray for your leaders?
4. How has learning about Tychicus changed the way you view your influence in the body of Christ?

