

## FOR CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSIONS AND FAMILY BIBLE STUDY TIMES



**HOME** – (a family that wants you to grow):

**This Sunday, 14 March 2021, Church Services available:**

- Paarl South 09:00 (with Kids Church)
- Paarl East 09:00 (with Kids Church)
- Paarl North 09:00 (with Kids Church)

**March Upcoming Events:**

- No Youth this coming Sunday – 14 March
- Baptism Sunday – 14 March
- Parent Talk – 14 March – Focus on younger kids
- Victory Training – 11-13 March



**UP** – (let's worship God first):

**Pray** - Open up in a prayer of gratitude. What are you thankful for? *(Thankfulness towards God, cultivates a lifestyle of worship.)*



**BACK** – (let's reflect on last week):

**Testimonies** - Any testimonies for what you are thankful for? How did last week's lesson impact your life? Have you applied it in your life or shared it with someone else last week? *(Testimonies builds our faith and accountability cultivates a lifestyle of obedience.)*



**IN** – (together discover new truths):

**Discover** – What new truths can we learn from the following verses? *(Word based convictions, cultivates a lifestyle of truth and faith.)*

- As Christian we need to make our decisions that is eternal.
- Jesus' lifestyle was eternal.
- In this season of life God wants us to endure whatever we face.
- We need to nullify our Human factor and have a mindset that is eternal.

Ask someone in the group to read **Hebrews 12:2 (AMP) & Nehemiah 8:10 (AMP)**. Maybe ask someone else to read it again in a different translation before you proceed.

**Hebrews 12:2 (AMP)**

*[looking away from all that will distract us and] focusing our eyes on Jesus, who is the Author and Perfector of faith [the first incentive for our belief and the One who brings our faith to maturity], who for the joy [of accomplishing the goal] set before Him endured the cross, disregarding the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God [revealing His deity, His authority, and the completion of His work].*

### **Nehemiah 8:10 (AMP)**

*Then Ezra said to them, "Go [your way], eat the rich festival food, drink the sweet drink, and send portions to him for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be worried, for the joy of the Lord is your strength and your stronghold."*

Maybe use the MAG-method:

- **ME** - (Own words) What does the Scripture say to me?
- **APPLY** - How will you apply the Doing/Action Words, Commands, or Examples to your life?
- **GOD** - What do I learn about God's character and promises? How can I apply and follow His example?
  - Our Character always reflect and shows amid when we face storms in our life.
  - Submit under the will of the Father and resist the devil and he will flee.

Ask someone in the group to read **James 1:2-4 (AMP)**. Maybe ask someone else to read it again in a different translation before you proceed.

### **James 1:2-4 (AMP)**

*Consider it nothing but joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you fall into various trials. Be assured that the testing of your faith [through experience] produces endurance [leading to spiritual maturity, and inner peace]. And let endurance have its perfect result and do a thorough work, so that you may be perfect and completely developed [in your faith], lacking in nothing.*

- How do we respond amid when we face storms in our life?

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**OUT** – (let's apply what we have just learned):

**Application** – Reflecting on today's scripture discoveries, what convicts you? What do you feel the Holy Spirit is asking you to do?

Take some time to reflect on these Scriptures and ask Holy Spirit to show you how can you as a Christian ensure that you live according to the word of God within Spiritual Community.