

## **This is the Word of the Lord Week 3**

### **Message Based Curriculum**

#### **Opening**

- Begin with a brief welcome and prayer to set the tone for the group time.
- Introduce the theme: “Today we’re going to talk about common lies about the Bible and recognize truth about God’s character.”

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#### **Weekly Recap and Accountability.**

1. **How has your walk with Jesus been since the last time we met?**
  - Take time to let people share how they’ve seen/experienced Jesus this week?
  - Recap everyone’s Bible reading goals and ask how they are going.

#### **Prayer**

2. If you haven’t already, pray for your time together.

#### **Time in the Word**

3. Read **Genesis 3:1-13** as a group. What stands out to you in this passage? It may be something that you’re all familiar with, but the Word of God is living and active. What new observations did you make while reading together?

#### **Discussion**

4. This chapter describes satan as “crafty”. How do we see similar "craftiness" today that causes people to question or misunderstand God’s Word?
5. In this week’s message, Ayren helped us identify 4 lies that satan wants us to believe about the Bible. Which of these do you encounter in your life or in our society today?
  - The Bible is full of errors so it must not be trustworthy.
  - The Bible isn’t relevant for today’s culture and society
  - Christian resources alone aren’t a proper substitute for God’s word
  - You can’t trust that everyone who teaches you the Bible is teaching you truth
6. For this next question, remember that this is a safe place for us to be open, honest, and authentic with one another: Do you believe that the Bible is the ultimate authority for believers? Why or why not?
7. What does it mean for Scripture to guide us even when it counters modern belief?

### **Biblical Literacy Tool for the Week**

Each week, we will give you one tool for growing in Biblical Literacy. This week, you can watch and discuss this video from The Bible Project together: **The Bible Project: Why Jesus Told Parables (and How you can understand them) (YouTube) [5:42]** - [https://youtu.be/XX-aAg4\\_U2Q?si=lcCdb-UdrVFcjGuw](https://youtu.be/XX-aAg4_U2Q?si=lcCdb-UdrVFcjGuw)



### **Close with Intentional Prayer**

8. Engage in prayer together around these three points:
    - Discernment to recognize lies and uphold the truth of Scripture.
    - Courage to trust and apply God's word even when it contradicts culture.
    - A deeper love for God's Word and a desire to grow in understanding and obedience.
    - Are there areas of your life where you feel you need to surrender more to Jesus? What practical steps can you take to grow in these areas? How can we as a group support one another?
  9. You can also use this time to share and give updates on prayer requests.
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