

Five Keys to Divine Increase - Key 2, Love God's Word

Small Group Discussion Guide

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Based on the teaching of Pastor Mirek Hufton

1. SERMON RECAP

In this message, I challenged us to move beyond religious routine and fall genuinely in love with God's Word, because the Word is not just ink on a page -- it is living, breathing spiritual food for our recreated spirits. Just as Mary chose to sit at Jesus' feet rather than be distracted by the busyness around her, we each face a daily choice about whether the Word gets priority in our lives. I made it clear that every problem we face -- sickness, fear, financial pressure, bondage -- has an answer in Scripture, and that getting the Word deep into our hearts is the only pathway from natural living into the fullness of spiritual life.

2. KEY SCRIPTURES

Ephesians 5:26

"...that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word."

2 Timothy 3:16

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness."

John 1:4

"In Him was life, and the life was the light of men."

3. ICE BREAKER

Start here -- keep it light and fun!

> Think about a book, song, or movie you once loved so much you could quote it from memory. What was it, and why did it grab you so deeply?

Leader note: Let a few people share and enjoy the laughter. Then gently bridge to the idea of what it would look like to have that same kind of passionate connection with God's Word.

4. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Question 1 -- Opening the Conversation

I used the story of Mary and Martha from Luke 10 to illustrate how busyness can crowd out the Word. Without pointing fingers at anyone else, where does the "Martha tendency" show up most in your own life -- and what does it typically push the Word out for?

Question 2 -- Going Deeper

I said, "If you're too busy to read the Word, you're too busy -- and honestly, it's a pride issue." That's a pretty direct statement! How do you react to hearing it framed that way? Do you think pride really plays a role in neglecting Scripture, or does something else get in the way for you?

Question 3 -- Scripture Connection

Read 2 Timothy 3:16 together out loud. I emphasized that all Scripture is God-breathed -- even the genealogy lists, even the hard passages. Has there ever been a verse or passage you initially dismissed or found boring, but later it came alive and spoke directly to something you were going through? What happened?

Question 4 -- Personal Honesty

I mentioned that the Word of God is spiritual food -- that your spirit literally feeds and grows through it the way your body grows through meals. If we're honest, how would you describe your current "spiritual diet"? Balanced and nourishing? Skipping meals? Running on junk food?

Question 5 -- Life Application

I shared that when I was fighting sickness and given 90 days to live, I went deep into the Word specifically on healing -- finding every promise, every scripture, every teaching I could on that one subject. What area of your life right now most needs the Word to speak into it? What would it look like to go after Scripture on that topic with that same kind of focused intensity?

Question 6 -- Challenge and Growth

I said that "the more you get in the Word, the more humble your heart will become, and the less touchy you'll be." Do you believe that's true? Have you seen it in someone you know -- or even in your own life during a season when you were consistently in the Word?

5. APPLICATION CHALLENGE

One specific, achievable action for the week ahead:

> This week, identify ONE area of your life where you need God's answer -- whether it's fear, a relationship, finances, health, or anything else. Then spend at least 10 minutes each day for the next seven days reading and speaking Scripture specifically related to that area.

To get started, write down your one area right now, look up two or three verses that speak to it (use a Bible app's search or ask your leader for help), and write those verses somewhere you'll see them daily -- your phone wallpaper, a sticky note on your mirror, or a notecard in your car. Don't just read them -- say them out loud at least once a day.

Leader note: Encourage people to share their chosen topic with a trusted partner in the group so someone can check in with them by the end of the week.

6. PRAYER POINTS

Close your time together by praying specifically over these three things:

1. Hunger for the Word -- Ask God to supernaturally stir up a genuine passion and appetite for Scripture in each person in the group, replacing religious duty with real delight.
 2. Revelation and Understanding -- Pray that the Holy Spirit would open the eyes of understanding for each member, so that when they open their Bible this week, the Word comes alive with fresh meaning and personal application.
 3. Breakthrough Through the Word -- Pray over the specific needs people identified in Question 5 -- that as they seek God through Scripture this week, they would begin to experience the life, healing, freedom, and provision that the Word carries.
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7. MEMORY VERSE

> Psalm 119:97

> "Oh, how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day."

Write it down. Put it on your phone. Say it when you wake up. Let it become a declaration over your week.

Thank you for leading your group this week. What you're doing matters -- keep pressing forward!