

FREEDOM

Small Group Leader Guide

WEEK THREE



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THE TREE OF LIFE

For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters.

GALATIANS 5:13 NLT

WEEK THREE LEADER GUIDE

Overview

The fruit of living in the Tree of Life:

- The Tree of Life results in fellowship with God. The only way to experience abundant life is truly knowing the living God.
- Fellowship with God results in innocence—not the other way around. As we spend more time walking with God, listening to His voice, talking to Him, obeying Him, worshipping Him, and enjoying Him, we will notice a transformation taking place, not only on the outside, but on the inside as well. We will become transparent and unashamed before Him.
- Innocence is a conduit of God's power. As we seek God and submit our lives to Him, He equips us for every good work.
- Innocence results in freedom. We will sin and fall, but if we sin with the Tree of Life as our perspective, we can easily receive forgiveness and get back up.

Discussion Guide

- Application from Week 2: Ask participants to share examples of ways they acted and reacted out of Tree of Life thinking throughout the previous week.
- Do you feel completely innocent before God? What would it be like to have true fellowship with God?
- Do you live your life as a son or a servant?
- Do your daily responses and decisions bring life to others? In what tree do you find yourself living in the most?

Application

Encourage group members to take practical steps to see the fruit of the Tree of Life in their lives by beginning with fellowship with God. Emphasize the importance of daily time in worship, God's Word, and prayer.

Prayer Focus

- Pray that your participants understand that it is a daily choice to live in the Tree of Life.
- Pray that they are able to grasp the extravagant love of the Father and that they begin extending that same love and grace in their relationships with others.