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Discussion Guide

Week 4



Bottom Line

God provides for his children.

Scripture

Matthew 6:25-34

Icebreaker

Chart Your Life: Give your group members pens and paper. Ask them to draw a line representing the movement of their lives between high times and low ones.

Invite people to think back as far as they can and mark significant moments along the line they have drawn. Ask them to consider the high points and low points, moments of inspiration, moments of despair, leveling-off times, and where they are now.

The charts will probably be a mixture of straight, slanted, jagged, and curved lines. At the different points of their lines, have people either draw something or write a phrase to represent that season of their life. Ask people to make at least five different points on their chart to represent significant moments in their lives.

After everyone has drawn their lines, have people share what they've drawn and what it means with the group.

This one may take longer than many other activities. You may want to have people draw their charts beforehand to bring with them. If people are willing to share honestly, this can be a great activity to help your group bond. Ask your group to share only one to three points on their graphs to save time, or have people share their whole graphs in smaller groups.





WATCH THE DISCUSSION VIDEO

link: clifec.com/WYP-video-4

Exploration

You probably won't get through all the questions, and that's OK! These are here to help you. See this as a guide, rather than a to-do list.

- *Was there anything that stood out to you from the pastor's teaching or the group discussion?*
- *When you were growing up, what did you worry about the most?*
- *What would you tell yourself now about that issue?*
- *What would you say is the most common worry for adults today?*
- *Do you think there is a correlation between what we focus on and the things we worry about?*

Ask someone to read Matthew 6:25-34 to the group.

- *What should our life focus be?*
- *Can you give an example from your life of a way that God actually provided for you?*
- *How can you encourage other people in your life to trust God more?*

Application

"Give us this day our daily bread." — Matthew 22:42

*This prayer is for **daily** bread. We want lifetime bread. You don't have to line up all your provisions. You just have to trust the provider. You may be fine right now — even better than fine, with so much more than you need — but what about five years from now? Ten years? Forty years?*

"God provides for the sparrows and lilies, and you are infinitely more valuable than them!" — Matthew 6:25-34

End with prayer time.

