



rGroup Guide

BLESSED & FAVORED

Pastor Miles McPherson | November 17, 2019

Recite the Do Something Disciple Prayer

“As a Do Something Disciple, I am in a disciplined pursuit for the heart of The Father, a heart that is being perfected in love for God and people.

Father give me a heart that:

- Desperately seeks face-to-face intimacy with You.
- Faithfully avoids that which displeases You.
- Humbly embraces a Kingdom Mindset.
- Values making disciples that make disciples.

Jesus, create in me a heart that:

- Values being guided by the Word of God.
- Gratefully grows in generosity.
- Nurtures a burden for lost people.
- Demonstrates a commitment to a Spirit-filled expression of my gifts.

Holy Spirit develop a heart in me that:

- Gracefully gives and receives forgiveness.
- Passionately worships God.
- Is dependent on the power of prayer.
- Serves with Humility.

Father, with Christlikeness as my goal and the Holy Spirit as my Guide,
knit my heart with Yours. Fill my heart with Your passions,
motivations, and desires. In Jesus' Name, Amen.”

Sermon Application Questions from Sunday's Message:

On Sunday 11/17, Pastor Miles shared about the importance of understanding God's will for our lives by identifying God's blessing in our lives and obeying God with what He is calling us to do. We need to identify our "son of promise," and attach the "fear of the Lord" to it. Finally, we must walk into God's testimony of "blessing" and "favor."

This week in your group time, please read through Genesis 22 and discuss the following:

- Why does God choose to test Abraham in this way when the promise of Abraham's descendants is supposed to be through Isaac?
- What does Abraham's commitment to obey God's instructions show about the faith of Abraham?
- Reread verse 8. Abraham tells Isaac that God will provide a lamb. How does this foreshadow Jesus death on the cross? What does this mean for our lives?
- In verses 11-12, we see God intervene in the death of Isaac by sending an angel to stop Abraham from slaying him. What does this show us about God's faithfulness?
- In verse 18, we see that God will bless Abraham's descendants throughout the Earth because of the obedience of Abraham. God wants to bless our lives as well. What effects do our decision to obey or deny God's instructions on our lives have for the generations that will come after us?
- For additional questions and commentary, see attached supplement on Genesis 22.

Next Steps:

- **Toys for Joy: Give, Volunteer. December 14th - <https://www.toys-for-joy.org>**

Monthly Memory Verse: Romans 1:16 *"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek."*

This Week's Bible Reading:

ROMANS 1-16 - <https://thebibleproject.com/explore/romans/>