



rGroup Guide

HEAVEN IS FOR REAL

Pastor Miles McPherson | July 21, 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:

This was our final message for the *At the Movies* series with snippets from the true story, *Heaven is for Real*. This movie, profiled a young boy, Colt, who had an experience where he was taken to Heaven. Colt suffered from a medical illness where he was rushed to the hospital. During the operation there were many people who were praying for Colt. After the operation Colt explained to his parents how he had an experience where he visited Heaven.

Colt's dad, Todd, was a pastor at a local church and struggled to explain his sons experience. Todd and his wife began to believe that his son truly had a heavenly experience when Colt described a conversation he had with a deceased great grandfather and his sister who had passed during a miscarriage. Todd then taught from the pulpit that his son truly went to Heaven and preached that if we all believe that "Heaven is for real" we would all lead different lives.

Discuss the following in your rGroup:

1. How does the reality of heaven affect how you live on a daily basis?
2. What is your understanding of heaven from the Scriptures?
3. The only way to get to Heaven is to believe in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Jesus came and died on the cross for our sins so that we could have eternal life in heaven with Him. If we confess with our mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in our hearts that God raised Him from the dead, the Bible affirms that we will be saved. Take time as a group to pray for anyone in the group who has friends and/or family members who are not saved as yet (See John 3:16-17, 31).

Next Steps:

Register for the 2019 Women's Retreat: <https://www.sdrock.com/ministries/womens/retreat/>

A great method for reading the Bible and praying daily is using our Bible Reading plan and getting a dGroup Journal. Visit <https://www.sdrock.com/ministries/dgroups/> for these recourses. Be sure to take time this week to review *The Bible Project*:

The Book of Isaiah: <https://thebibleproject.com/explore/isaiah/>

Monthly Memory Verse: Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV): *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."*

This Week's Bible Reading: Isaiah 1-22