



## rGroup Guide

### WAR ROOM

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#### *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, we continued our "At the Movies" series with the movie *War Room*. In the movie we see a husband (Tony) and a wife (Elizabeth) whose marriage is falling apart. Elizabeth begins to develop a discipleship relationship with an older woman (Clara). Clara tells Elizabeth about her "war room." Clara's war room is a closet space where she goes and reads the Bible and spends time with God in prayer for the issues that she is facing in life. Clara keeps written records of her prayers and her answered prayers in her war room.

Elizabeth creates a war room in her home and begins to seek God in the Bible and in prayer. Eventually, we see Tony ask for restoration in their marriage relationship and both Elizabeth and Clara praise God for healing Tony and Elizabeth's marriage.

## **Discuss the following in your rGroup:**

1. It is crucial that we acknowledge that we are in a spiritual war. Our battle is not against flesh and blood, we are in a spiritual battle (see Ephesians 6:12). We must always seek to please God in our spiritual battle, knowing that God's influence is stronger than the enemy. We need to pray and rely on God and the power of the Holy Spirit with our prayers. What issues are you facing today that you need prayer for? Discuss in your group.
2. What is the state of your war room? A war room is a place where you regularly spend time with God reading the Bible and praying. If you have a war room, describe what it is like with your group. If you don't have a war room, connect with someone in your group to help you establish a regular time and place to read the Bible and pray daily.
3. As a group read James 5:16-18. In these verses we see Elijah's answered prayer for rain as God blesses the land with rain. Elijah's prayers were answered. As a group go around and pray for each other for anything you are going through.

## **Next Steps:**

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* overview of the book of Proverbs: <https://thebibleproject.com/explore/proverbs/>

**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:** Proverbs 1-31