

PREACHING CURRICULUM

Grow UP in Knowledge

Deuteronomy 6:1-9; Proverbs 4:1-10

'...passivity is the enemy of diligence...diligence communicates importance and priority...

...are you maximizing the way you are made to be the smartest, most loving, and most active Christian you can be, and bring honour and glory to God?...'

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

Reread Deuteronomy 6:1-12

What is the greatest commandment in the Bible? What is the greatest truth in the Bible?

How do we fulfil this commandment to love?

Why do we obey God?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

Are you obedient in what you already know? How do you love God with your mind?

Are you living obediently to what you know? How do you love God with your heart?

Are you diligent in your obedience? How do you love God with your will, your soul?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

Why do think we are so often tempted to be passive instead of diligent?

Are you growing IN knowledge, or UP IN knowledge? What is the difference?

How can we mature in our passion for obedience?

How can we take responsibility for the process of raising the next generation in obedience? Are we holding ourselves too responsible for the final product? Are we exemplifying what we want people to become?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

Will you be diligent to be obedient in all circumstances, at all times, so as to be an example to generations to come, and to signify the priority and importance of truth in your life?

How will you grow in knowledge in order to grow in passion for obedience?