

WEEKLY GUIDE

OCTOBER 4, 2020

1 ATTEND!

SUNDAYS
(IN PERSON OR ONLINE)

2 TALK!

DISCUSS THE
LESSONS

3 PRAY!

MAKE YOUR
REQUESTS
KNOWN TO GOD

4 DO!

PUT THE
LESSONS INTO
PRACTICE

BIBLE READINGS:

Proverbs 4:25; Matthew 16:13-19, 28:18-20; Luke 9:1-6, 10:8-20; Acts 1:1-8; Ezekiel 18:20, 33:1-20; Romans 3:23, 6:23

PROVERBS 4:25 (MSG)

Keep your eyes straight ahead; ignore the sideshow distractions.

MATTHEW 16:18-19

On this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

MATTHEW 28:18-20

Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

LUKE 9:1-2

Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.

LUKE 10:19-20

Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven.

ACTS 1:8

You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

EZEKIEL 18:20

The soul who sins shall die.

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TIME FOR REFLECTION:

1. Did you have the opportunity to reflect on last week's lesson? How were you able to apply it to your life? How important is the Church to you? Have you been neglecting meeting together? Do you place the same priority on the Church as God does?
2. Take a moment to think about all that has been going on in the world the last six months. Do you feel that you can do anything about it? How can you make a difference? Do you feel like an essential worker in God's Kingdom? You are!
3. What does it mean to be given the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven? How do we open the doors to the Kingdom for others? Who are you opening the doors of heaven for? What are some ways doors are shut? Are you shutting any doors that might keep others from entering the Kingdom?
4. Why are witnessing and preaching necessary to advance the Kingdom of God? Why do you need power and authority to proclaim the Gospel? What does Jesus give His disciples power and authority over? What often accompanied the preaching of the Kingdom? How would this be helpful in unlocked doors?
5. What is the most important thing? What does Jesus rejoice in? Why is having your name written in the book of life so essential? What does it mean to have your name written in heaven?
6. What is the biggest issue facing the world today? Why is sin a bigger problem than any pandemic? What is meant by spiritual death? What is the cure for the disease of sin? How does Ezekiel relate to us today?
7. What are your favorite insights from the lesson today? What are the big takeaways? How would you summarize everything in one or two key thoughts? How will you apply it to your life?

PRAYER REQUESTS:

1. Pray for our nation, that America would experience revival and awakening .
2. Pray for the peace and prosperity of our city (Jeremiah 29:7).
3. Pray for our leaders to humble themselves, and pray, and seek God's face (2 Chronicles 7:14).
4. Pray for your neighbors, friends, and families, that God would draw them to Himself.
5. Pray that the Holy Spirit would help you to testify of Christ and be a witness this week.
6. Pray for students and teachers as schools start back up, for everyone's safety and health.
7. Pray that the Church would advance the Kingdom with power and authority.

THE REST OF THE WEEK:

1. Read God's Word and allow His Spirit to reveal, correct, and encourage you.
2. Practice intentional acts of kindness. Love without prejudice. Be merciful.
3. Take time for yourself. Do something that brings you joy and refreshes you.
4. Reach out to someone. Share your faith with others. Encourage someone!
5. Do something outside your comfort zone. Let God use you this week!
6. Allow God to continually fill you with His Holy Spirit.
7. Invite someone to church with you!

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK! SEE YOU NEXT SUNDAY!

