

Discussion Guide

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The Evidence WK1

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Main Idea

As we look across scripture, we discover that being a believer means we should be living a life filled with EVIDENCE of God's presence. Jesus invites us to live a life marked by His peace, His presence, and His purpose - but how do we do that? How can we experience the evidence and walk in it every day?

Anchor Verse: For we are His workmanship [His own master work, a work of art], created in Christ Jesus [reborn from above—spiritually transformed, renewed, ready to be used] for good works, which God prepared [for us] beforehand [taking paths which He set], so that we would walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us]. (Ephesians 2:10, AMP)

Additional Scripture: Psalm 139:14-17, 119:105; Job 12:10,

We Were Created To Walk In Purpose

God has equipped each and every one of us with specific gifts and talents, but it's a choice to walk out our purpose and use the gifts He's given us for Him.

Read 1 Peter 4:10-1, Matthew 5:13-16

What have you discovered concerning your gifts and talents? How do you see your gifts and talents demonstrate the evidence of God in your life?

We Were Created To Be Multiplied

Every action you make today resonates throughout eternity. Your existence changes History. The ripple of your life's impact resonates in eternity.

Read Colossians 3:17

Pastor Daniel said that a life that's multiplied continues on for generations to come. Where do you see yourself leaving a legacy? What will it look like 10-20 years from now?

We Were Created To Demonstrate His Power

Your impact is dependent on His involvement in your life and the purpose of your life is seen through the lens of His Power.

Read Zephania 3:17, Ephesians 3:20-21

How are you connecting to God as your source of power? How are you carrying and demonstrating the power of God in your life?

SUMMARY

When you walk with Jesus, something should look different, seem different, and be different in and throughout your life. When you walk with Jesus, and you follow His word as the moral compass of your life, things begin to change for the good. When you carry the presence of God, there is evidence of His existence through the creation of your life.

CALL TO ACTION

- 1. Consider how you display the evidence of God in your life to your family, friends, co-workers, and community.
- Take some time this week to take a spiritual gifts survey to begin discovering and using the gifts God has given you. Here is a great resource: <u>https://gifts.churchgrowth.org/spiritual-gifts-survey/</u>
- 3. Consider taking a step to use your gifts by joining a <u>TEAM</u> or by <u>LEADING</u> or <u>JOINING</u> a Group so that you can build authentic relationships and grow your spiritual life.

GROUP LEADER RESOURCE

Game: Going on a picnic

There's a lot to learn on your first day meeting as a group, including everyone's names. This game is a great way to help people pick up their new friend's names and really make them stick.

To play, ask one person to say, "I'm [name], I'm going on a picnic, and I'm bringing [item that starts with the same letter of their name]." For example, someone named Sean could say, "I'm Sean, I'm going on a picnic, and I'm bringing sandwiches."

The next player then adds to the "picnic list" using their own name and the previous player's. For example, they may say, "I'm Gina, I'm going on a picnic, and I'm bringing grapes. Sean is bringing sandwiches." As each team member adds to the list, the game becomes a concentration exercise — and your team will likely remember each other's names long after the "picnic" is over.