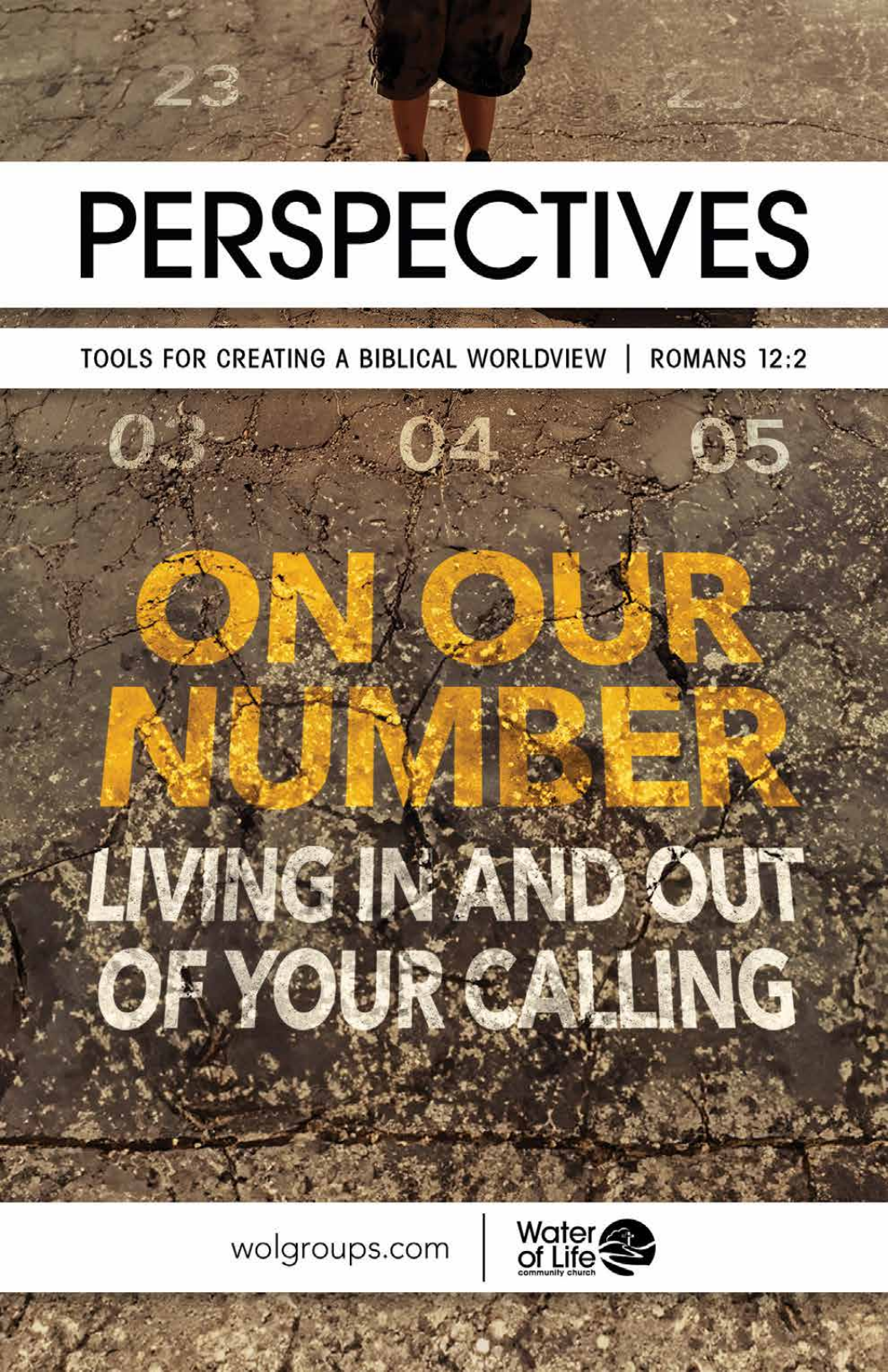




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Where did God show up this week?

As you see the goodness of God, use this page to jot down how He's blessed you. Encourage one another and celebrate victories at opportune times within and/or outside of your group meetings.

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Read Genesis 45:5.

2 In Genesis, Joseph saw the deliverance of God for himself and his family. Does being sent involve trust in the Lord? How? What is your own challenge in being sent?

3

Read Romans 8:3.

Jesus was sent from the throne of heaven to teach us and to save us. What was in His heart to become human and be sent to us? How does knowing this affect your thoughts about being sent?

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

Have you ever thought about being sent? Ask God now to show you where He desires to send you to share your testimony.

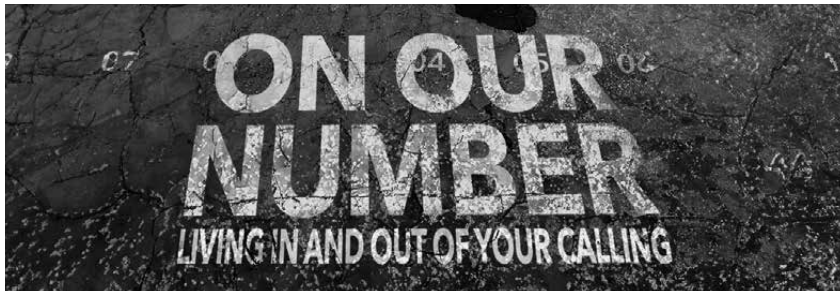
MEMORY VERSE

Romans 8:3:

"For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh."

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WEEK 3: HEALING

ICE BREAKER

PRAYER

WORSHIP

INTRODUCTION

Dealing with healing of woundedness is often uncomfortable for us- we all want to be whole and healthy. If we've got "stuff," and we all do, we need to deal with it in a biblical way. The Lord has called Water of Life to be a place where people can seek and find healing so we may be used to bring healing and life to others. This is the heart of the Father for his children.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Unpack the biblical text to discover what the Scripture says or means about a particular topic.

1

Read Romans 5:1-8.

After reading the above scripture, discuss what we now have through Jesus Christ as His followers. As His followers, what in our relationship with God is the same as Adam and Eve's before the Fall? Is there any difference? If you are comfortable, share your heart about this scripture in Romans.

2

Read Psalm 23:6 and 2 Corinthians 1:3-7.

How do these scriptures change or broaden your understanding of God's heart?

3

Read James 5:16-18.

Why does God ask us to confess our faults to be healed? And why confess our faults one to another? What stops us from confessing to each other? What can you do to help someone else approach you to find healing by confessing to you?

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

Help your group identify how the truths from the Scripture passage apply directly to their lives.

- Father, help me become someone others can trust to confess their sins to and become healed. Grow me into the righteous person that You can use to help others.

MEMORY VERSE

James 5:16:

"Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed."

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PRAYER

INTRODUCTION

Based on Acts 2: 42-47, God does not want us to be isolated and alone, but in thriving, loving relationships. All throughout the scriptures He provides us with commandments, instructions, and stories that inform us on how to engage in distinct types of relationships on many levels including family, personal and professional beginning with our relationship with Him and then others.

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one another's burdens, making the needs of others a priority, and demonstrating kindness and generosity to others. In that regard, relationships require hard work, and it is the power of his Holy Spirit that enables us to love and serve one another and do the hard work required in relationships. So, be filled with The Holy Spirit every day.

Furthermore, in order to have healthy deep life-giving relationships in the Body of Christ there must be trust, and therefore honesty. God requires authenticity, honesty, openness, sincerity, and transparency from us. To have strong healthy relationships we must be honest with ourselves, honest with God, and honest with others. During the early church, dishonest merchants would fill the cracks in their wears with wax to fool unsuspecting customers. We should not try to hide who we really are, act like someone else or hide behind a false persona (Prov. 24:26, 2 Cor. 4:2). Let God and others see your cracks.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Unpack the biblical text to discover what the Scripture says or means about a particular topic.

1

Q What does this scripture reveal about God's people? What were we all given? What does this scripture reveal about our Heavenly Father?

2 Read Romans 15:1-3.

2 As members of the Body of Christ, how does God expect us to behave with one another? How do we bear the weaknesses of those around us? What should be our attitude when doing this?

3 Read Romans 12:3-5, 9-11.

3 What is this scripture telling us to do? What can we as members of the Body of Christ do to become more self-aware and honest? How does this help the Body of Christ?

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

- Is there an area of your life in which you can begin strengthening your relationships? How will you start? What do you need to do?
- Is there anything about your life, or your character that you have not been honest with yourself about? What faults or flaws do you hate to admit? What lies could you be telling yourself?

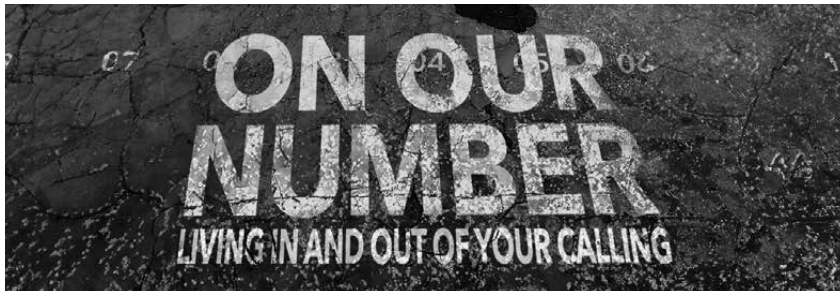
MEMORY VERSE

PSALM 133:1-3:

"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe. It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore."

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WEEK 5: CARING

ICE BREAKER

PRAYER

WORSHIP

INTRODUCTION

The Barna Group in 2019 did a study on caring entitled, "Only One Third of Young Adults Feel Cared for by Others." The study was performed on young adults from 18 to 3 years old, and the following was discovered:

- 77% percent stated that events around the world matter to them
- 57% percent stated that they feel connected to people around the world
- 33% percent stated that they deeply cared for those around them
- 32% percent stated that they often feel that someone believes in them.

Did people in the early Christian church feel a lack of love and caring? No! The early church valued caring about one another. Caring for others was a priority within their community; they did not want anyone to be in need. Acts 2:44-45 states, "All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need."

It was the direct opposite. Caring was promoted as one of the key core values and foundations that connected the Church. They shared resources and fellowshiped daily which made them unique in a pagan godless Greco-Roman society that promoted individualism, selfishness, and debauchery.

In short, people want to know if you really care for them.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Unpack the biblical text to discover what the Scripture says or means about a particular topic.

1

Read James 2:14.

What is the meaning of faith to you in this scripture? What is faith without works? Why are works necessary to faith?

2

Read James 2:15-16.

What does the word "destitute" mean to you? Please explain in your own words. How would you know if someone near you was "destitute?" How would you define the word "profit?"

3

Read James 2:17.

What does the word "works" mean to you in this scripture? How can you consider faith to be dead? How can we let others see our faith?

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

- Ask God to grow your faith; and allow Him to lead you to works that profit others.

MEMORY VERSE

James 2:14:

"What use is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith, but he has no works? Can that faith save him?"

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