



## PROVERBS CHAPTER 6 (FACILITATOR)

### **Discussion Starter**

- What is your definition of trust? Is it easy or difficult for you to trust someone? Why?
- **Opening Prayer**
  - Ask if someone wants to volunteer before leading the prayer.

### **Breaking it Down**

- All questions should be utilized as appropriate based upon group dynamics to facilitate both understanding and discussion. Don't feel tied to the questions and don't feel like you must get through every question. Follow the Spirit's lead! All questions are a matter of perspective in some way BUT there are specific questions that this is truer of, and these questions have been indicated to be perspective/opinion questions.
- Please use your own style, voice, and approach in preparing for leading your life group. Most importantly, take a few minutes to pray over the time together with you group and pray over each group member by name.

### **Tell the Story**

- **PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE ONE PERSON WHO STORIES (SUMMARIZES THE CHAPTER) BEFORE THE GROUP READS THE CHAPTER TOGETHER.**

### **Read the Story (Proverbs 6:1-35)**

Read out loud as a group, 3-5 verses per person. Let everyone know they can opt out if they would like.

### **Proverbs 6:1-5**

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- What is one impulsive decision that you made in the best with consulting God? How do we avoid making impulsive decisions that don't involve God?
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**Proverbs 6:6-11**

- Why do you think that Solomon highlights the importance of hard work and not being lazy, a theme that is prevalent throughout the book of Proverbs
  - Hard work has everything to do with valuing the resources and tools that God has provided us. In other words, while work is certainly a responsibility, it is also a privilege.
  - How does your attitude about the things that God has given you match God's attitude about what He has given you? In which ways do your attitudes not match?
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**Proverbs 6:12-19**

- Read Romans 13:14. What do you think it means to make no provision for the flesh and what does that have to do with this section of text in Proverbs?
  - Making no provision for the flesh involves surrendering every part of who I am to the Lordship of Jesus. I seek to be intentional in loving God and loving those around me well. When I do make decisions to sin, I accept responsibility and own my bad decisions. This section of text in Proverbs 6 is reflective of a person who is not living a surrendered life. Rather, they are living a life that revolves around self.
    - How can you be a person who seeks to love God with everything within them?
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**Proverbs 6:20-35**

- What's one thing that sticks out to you in verses 20-23 and why? What is one way that God has disciplined you this past year and what have you done with that discipline?
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### **Final Application**

- What does this passage teach us about God?
- What does this passage teach us about mankind?
- What is a command to obey in this passage?
- What has God revealed in your life that needs changing?
- What truth can be applied to your life about the gospel?

### **Closing & Prayer Requests**

- Have a designated person to capture and share (as appropriate) within the life group.
- What happens in life group, stays in life group.
- Don't forget get to confirm the next meeting date and time

Also recruit someone to do the story for the following week. (Proverbs chapter 7)

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