



PROVERBS CHAPTER 10 (FACILITATOR)

Discussion Starter

- What is one of your biggest pet peeves and why?
- Is it easier for you to see the ways that you need to change or the ways in which others need to change? 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 10:1-32)

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

Proverbs 10:1-10

- In Proverbs chapter 10, the author continues a huge description of contrasts, contrasting a life lived in full submission to God versus a life lived for self. Why do you think that the author continues with all these contrasts?

- Wisdom is not something that is passive but rather active. In other words, just because a person has wisdom doesn't mean that they are going to remain wise and in submission to the Lord. Living with wisdom from God requires actively and intentionally seeking to live out what God says.
- We are forgetful people who need constant reminders. This has been true of people throughout history and continues to remain true of all humanity.
- Which one of these contrasts in the first ten verses most sticks out to you and why?
 - This is a perspective and opinion question so please listen as the facilitator.
- Which one of these contrasts is the most difficult for you to currently live and why?
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Proverbs 10:11-21

- Reread these verses but this time, consider what you hear about the tongue and the lips. Read James 3:1-12. Based upon these passages, how connected is our speech to our relationship with God?
 - This is a perspective and opinion question so please listen as the facilitator.
 - How would you say that you are doing with allowing the Holy Spirit to filter both your thoughts and your speech?
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Proverbs 10:22-32

- Notice that in this part of the text, there is this contrast between immediate and delayed gratification.
 - In what ways does God call His people to cling to Him rather than immediate gratification?
 - When it comes to following God, what are some examples of immediate gratification (doing what you want to do) versus delayed gratification (doing what God calls me to do?)

- In what ways is clinging to God more peace filled, hope filled, and joy filled than giving into immediate gratification?
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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. (James Chapter 1)

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