

MEETING NEWSLETTER

MY HEART MIGHT BE GOOD GROUND IF (cont)...

Welcome to WoW², Women of Worship, Women of Witness. This newsletter captures topics discussed during our meeting on April 21st. The newsletter may not capture everything, and the topics may not be in the exact order discussed. The newsletter is intended to capture key points from our evening together, with like topics being grouped together for convenience. We hope you are blessed as you join us on our journey.

CURRENT VISION: Thriving in the Wilderness. We will cultivate a safe place to grow in a peaceful environment by preparing the soil of our heart to receive and respond to God's guidance, anchoring ourselves in the Holy Spirit. We will operate according to the established guidelines of our group, all of which will bring to light the changes we need to make in our lives, so we can gain the nourishment necessary to grow as individuals and as a group.

Thriving, while in the Wilderness, will be the outcome of our growth.

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

Lesson 5 - My Heart Might by Good Ground If (cont) ...1

- Assessing where she is in the soils. She feels she still has a long way to go, because she's still between the rocky and thorny.
- We received her input from the H.E.A.R.T. exercise:
 - What did she HEAR from the Lord? Let God change her heart and renew her mind. Surrender and let God be God.
 - What does God expect of her and what does she expect of Him? Because she's human, He expects she will try, stumble and fall; she expects Him to pick her up. She also shared how she continues to try instead of allowing Him to do.
 - What does she need to do to act upon what she heard? Repent from her pride and allow the light of God's Word to shine through her. She also shared she didn't know pride has several masks. She shared how she had growth, but took

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¹ One sister was able to share her input from the good ground. These are her revelations.

- several steps back, either knowingly or unknowingly. However, she received some good insight from Dr. Stanley on how we ask God for help, instead of talking to Him. Moreover, we don't fall to our knees and thank Him enough. This led to the question, "Do we always give Him thanks for what He does?" She also shared how her ground is being broken up!
- What disturbs her ability to rest in what she heard? Believing she can't let go of what she's been holding onto, but then she realized, it's not that she doesn't believe she can't. It's that she just can't. She shared how important it is to be honest with ourselves in order to break the cycles in our lives.
- What disturbs her ability to trust what she heard? Because of where's she's been, she keeps trying to figure things out and do them her way instead of trusting He'll do what He says.

Lesson 6 – Connecting the Dots. Since it was only the two of us, we were able to also preview lesson 6. In this lesson, they consolidate their takeaways and reflect upon them along with the list of key points from each lesson.

- Honesty. There's a difference in being honest to people and being honest with yourself. We discussed how church has to be more than a checkmark on our task list, because we can go to church, even do a whole bunch of stuff therein, but that doesn't mean we're saved. That's why it's so important to be honest with ourselves!
 Takeaway. Be honest and open with God's truth and how it affects our life, then reflect and be honest with ourselves, so we can be open to renewing our mind and being fully committed to God. Be honest. Be transparent. Be fully committed.
- Reviewing her takeaways. Some of her revelations were personal, so I'll consolidate her input with what others share. For now, here are some things I took note of:
 - Fully committed. If we're truly committed to God, nothing else matters. We tend to ask, "Is it ______, (whatever it is) okay? If we're fully committed to God, do we need to ask that question? Once He convicts us of something, that's when we need to let it go, because the motives of our heart matter in everything we do.

- How we treat others. We need to learn how to be considerate of other people, especially by allowing them to be who they are, and not just be concerned about self. Takeaway. Don't try to conform others to be like us.
- Song for the week: Because our study is about being fully committed, so our lives
 will be about Him and His Kingdom, and our heart will be good soil for the seeds of His
 Word, we chose "Fully Committed," by Kingdom as our song for this week
 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qCV6kZY4Pv4)!

Homework Assignment(s):

 If you've not already, finish Lesson 6; however, we may have one more person who hasn't shared from Lesson 5 – My Heart Might Be Good Ground If

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be on April 28th. The current plan is to finish Lesson 6 – Connecting the Dots, and if needed, wrap up Lesson 5.

Closing: We closed our meeting in prayer with a time of need-specific prayer for the challenges that were lifted up, for the group overall, and as the Holy Spirit led.

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