
MEETING NEWSLETTER

I See Me

Welcome to WoW², Women of Worship, Women of Witness. We held a virtual social on June 16th; therefore, there are no Notes from that night. This newsletter captures topics discussed during our meeting on July 7th. 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 9 – I See Me: This is the first lesson where everyone in group became active in how to shape it, so we began the evening with two questions: initial thoughts and what was there that didn't need to be. The main feedback is it was longer than we've been accustomed to. After that, we spent the rest of the evening primarily editing one sentence that was confusing for some! Here are a few gems that came from that discussion:

- **Pain.** The phrase we modified was, "How you approach handling your emotions will depend on how you respond to the pain they left in their wake." Even though we'd used a similar phrase in another lesson, this time, it was not well understood. As we sought to shape this sentence into one that we could reach a consensus on, we noted how pain leaves a mark whether it's visible or not. **Takeaway.** Pain causes a weakness, a vulnerable area within us, even if we don't know it!

- **Reaching a consensus.** It took us most of the meeting to reach a consensus, because we wanted to ensure we kept the simplicity of the sentence while maintaining the essence of communicating the thought that pain has an impact! **Takeaway.** This process highlighted we are stronger together than we are individually!
- **Seeing Self.** This lesson required us to be as honest with ourselves as humanly possible! We also noted if we don't want to do anything to change, we don't really want to see ourselves. **Takeaway.** Looking at ourselves in the mirror of God's Word requires a willing and honest heart!

Songs for the week: "Blessings" by Laura Story:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MCjApw_Ticw.

Homework Assignment(s): Finish Lesson 9, "I See Me."

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 14th, via Zoom.

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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