

STUDY GUIDE

I'll Be Home for Christmas 12.13.2020

[setting it up]

When you hear the phrase “Abundant Life,” who comes to mind? In other words, who do you know who is best at living the abundant life?

What lessons can you learn from that person’s life? In other words, what do they believe and what do they do that causes them to live an abundant life?

A Self-assessment: Am I Living the Abundant Life?

Give yourself a grade from 1 to 7, 7 being “Absolutely! 100% of the time!” and 1 being “Nope, that’s not me. I’m honestly more like Scrooge.”

___ As COVID-19 unfolded, I have been pretty much able to maintain high levels of love, joy, and peace.

___ When difficulties and challenges arise, the people around me would say that I tend to exhibit a calm, non-anxious presence.

___ After being at home more in 2020, I have actually become less selfish and more generous.

[digging deeper]

Have someone read John 10:7-11.

Ask someone else to read John 10:7-11 in a different version.

Ask a third person to share in his/her own words the teaching on John 10:7-11. The group can help fill in the details that might have been overlooked.

Ask, “What stands out to you in this passage?”

Ask, “What are some misconceptions that people have about the abundant life?”

Ask, “What are some other verses in the Bible that describe what abundant life is really all about?”

Ask, “What does this John 10 text teach us about God?”

Ask, “What does this John 10 text teach us about ourselves as humans?”

Ask, “What should we do to line up our lives with the teaching in this John 10 text?”

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[living it out]

Ask, "What kind of death has Jesus defeated for you?"

Ask, "How would you describe the abundant life that Jesus has given you?"

Ask, "What could be the next steps God is wanting you to take so that 2021 will be a year of abundant living for you?"

Ask everyone to craft an "I will" statement that outlines the next steps they will take. Ask everyone to share their "I will" statement with the LifeGroup.

Close in prayer for everyone's "Who's Your One?" and for everyone to invite 20 people to our online Christmas Eve service at 4:00 PM on December 24th.