FAMILY LIFE CHURCH SHREVEPORT

MEN / LIFE GROUPS BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026 / WEEK 01

Remember What God Has Done

6:30-7:15 PM Bible study 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER

Thank God for His mercy. Ask Him to bring to mind ways He has cared for you.

6:35-6:40 / TOPIC

The Power of Thanksgiving What accomplishment is easy to take full credit for?

6:40-6:55 / STUDY

Foundational passage

Read aloud from the KJV Psalm 103:1-5

Key verse (KJV) “Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:” Psalm 103:2

Biblical background

David calls his own soul to bless the LORD. Psalm 103:3-5 lists forgiveness, healing, redemption, lovingkindness, tender mercies, and renewal. The psalm closes by calling all God's works to praise Him.

Inspiration

When the demands of today crowd your mind, name one mercy God has already shown you.

Kingdom revelation

The God whose throne rules over all (verse 19) is the same God whose mercies David remembers. Thanksgiving is a response to both His authority and His care.

Apply the Word

Recall a time God's mercy changed how you handled a mistake.

Continue with the six teaching points and group discussion on the next page.

Remember What God Has Done

6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

Six Kingdom teaching points Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Psalm 103:1-5** Name the benefits David tells his soul to remember.
Apply it Recall a time God's mercy changed how you handled a mistake.
2. **Psalm 100:4-5** Enter God's presence with thanks because He is good.
Apply it Open a family prayer by thanking God for who He is.
3. **Deuteronomy 8:17-18** Remember who gives the power to get wealth.
Apply it Give God credit when coworkers praise your success.
4. **Psalm 136:1** Give thanks for God's enduring mercy.
Apply it Extend patience to a man who needs the mercy you received.
5. **Colossians 3:15** Let Christ's peace and thankfulness shape life together.
Apply it Settle a tense conversation with a calm, grateful response.
6. **1 Thessalonians 5:18** Practice thanksgiving in every circumstance.
Apply it In a hard week, name one way God has sustained you.

Kingdom point Remembering God's mercy gives us a reason to praise Him today.

Teach it David speaks to his own soul. Kingdom leadership starts with remembering who supplies the strength and showing others how to give God credit.

6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

1. In the passage What does David tell his soul to do? Which benefit from the passage stands out?

2. In your life How does remembering God's mercy change the way you respond when people you lead make mistakes?

3. Put it into practice At your next family meal or team check-in, name one way God helped you and thank Him aloud. Who can help you follow through?

Go Back and Give Thanks

6:30-7:15 PM Bible study 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER

Thank Jesus for hearing prayer. Ask Him to help the group give God glory.

6:35-6:40 / TOPIC

The Power of Thanksgiving What do you usually do first after a problem is solved?

6:40-6:55 / STUDY

Foundational passage

Read aloud from the KJV Luke 17:11-19

Key verse (KJV) “And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God,” Luke 17:15

Biblical background

As Jesus travels toward Jerusalem, ten men with leprosy stand afar off and cry for mercy. Jesus sends them to the priests and they are cleansed on the way. One, a Samaritan, returns and thanks Jesus at His feet.

Inspiration

You can pause in the middle of an ordinary day to thank Jesus for a specific mercy.

Kingdom revelation

Jesus connects the man's return with giving glory to God. Thanksgiving brings the man back to the feet of the One who showed him mercy.

Apply the Word

Pause after a breakthrough and thank Jesus before tackling the next problem.

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Go Back and Give Thanks

6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

Six Kingdom teaching points Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Luke 17:11-19** Trace the Samaritan's response from healing to worship.
Apply it Pause after a breakthrough and thank Jesus before tackling the next problem.
2. **Psalm 107:1-2** Let those the Lord has redeemed speak up.
Apply it Tell another man how the Lord brought you through a difficult season.
3. **Psalm 116:12-14** Consider how the psalmist responds to God's benefits.
Apply it Respond to God's generosity with a concrete act of service.
4. **Hebrews 13:15** Offer praise to God through Jesus.
Apply it Praise God aloud even on a day when work feels heavy.
5. **Colossians 3:17** Give thanks to the Father through Jesus in word and deed.
Apply it Let gratitude change both your tone and your follow-through at home.
6. **Psalm 9:1** Tell others what the Lord has done.
Apply it Share one specific thing God did when your group checks in.

Kingdom point Gratitude turns our attention back to Jesus and gives God glory.

Teach it The Samaritan stops and returns. Build a habit of giving Jesus glory before you move on to the next responsibility.

6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

1. In the passage What does the healed man do when he realizes what happened? What does that show about gratitude?

2. In your life When a prayer is answered or a goal is reached, how can you give God credit in front of others?

3. Put it into practice Share a one-minute testimony that names the need, what happened, and what you thank God for. Who can help you follow through?

FAMILY LIFE CHURCH SHREVEPORT

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2026 / WEEK 03

Keep Your Eyes on Jesus

6:30-7:15 PM Bible study 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER

Ask Jesus to show the group what to lay aside and give them strength to endure.

6:35-6:40 / TOPIC

Finishing Strong What unfinished responsibility matters most right now?

6:40-6:55 / STUDY

Foundational passage

Read aloud from the KJV Hebrews 12:1-3

Key verse (KJV) “Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith;” Hebrews 12:2 (excerpt)

Biblical background

Hebrews 12 follows the examples of faith in chapter 11. The writer pictures a race that requires patience and calls believers to lay aside every weight and the sin that besets them. Jesus endured the cross and sat down at God's right hand.

Inspiration

When you feel weary, consider Jesus and take one faithful step today.

Kingdom revelation

The joy set before Jesus helps explain His endurance. The writer calls believers to look to Him so they can face their own weariness with hope.

Apply the Word

Name one habit that slows your obedience and set a boundary around it.

Continue with the six teaching points and group discussion on the next page.

Keep Your Eyes on Jesus

6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

Six Kingdom teaching points Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Hebrews 12:1-3** Notice the weight to lay aside and the One to look to.
Apply it Name one habit that slows your obedience and set a boundary around it.

2. **Philippians 3:13-14** Press toward the mark of God's calling in Christ.
Apply it Give one unfinished responsibility a concrete next step.

3. **Galatians 6:9** Keep doing good when the fruit takes time.
Apply it Keep mentoring or serving even when progress is slow.

4. **Matthew 6:33** Put God's Kingdom and righteousness first.
Apply it Review your calendar and make room for a Kingdom priority.

5. **John 15:4-5** Depend on Jesus to bear fruit.
Apply it Pray before making a decision you normally handle alone.

6. **James 1:12** Endure temptation with the promised crown of life in view.
Apply it Plan an honest response to a shortcut you may be offered.

Kingdom point Jesus gives us a reason to endure. Following Him can mean laying aside things that slow us down.

Teach it Some weights are habits or commitments that crowd out what God has given you to do. Identify one and make room for obedience.

6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

1. In the passage What does Hebrews say to lay aside? Who are we told to look to?

2. In your life What weight is draining your attention from a responsibility God has given you? What could you lay aside this week?

3. Put it into practice Put one priority on your calendar and ask a trusted man to check in with you. Who can help you follow through?

Keep the Faith

6:30-7:15 PM Bible study 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER

Ask God for strength to keep the faith and finish the work He has given each person.

6:35-6:40 / TOPIC

Finishing Strong What small promise do people count on you to keep?

6:40-6:55 / STUDY

Foundational passage

Read aloud from the KJV 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Key verse (KJV) “I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:” 2 Timothy 4:7

Biblical background

Paul has just charged Timothy to preach the word and fulfil his ministry. With his departure near, Paul speaks of a fight fought, a course finished, and faith kept. He looks ahead to a crown from the Lord, the righteous Judge.

Inspiration

Christ sees the faithful service that people may overlook.

Kingdom revelation

Paul measures his finish by faithfulness to Christ. The promise of the crown extends to all who love the Lord's appearing.

Apply the Word

Measure the year by where you kept faith with Christ.

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Keep the Faith

6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

Six Kingdom teaching points Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **2 Timothy 4:6-8** Hear how Paul describes finishing his course.
Apply it Measure the year by where you kept faith with Christ.

2. **Acts 20:24** Notice the ministry Paul wanted to complete.
Apply it Name the people you are called to serve and one way to serve them well.

3. **1 Corinthians 15:58** Stand firm because labor in the Lord matters.
Apply it Show up for an assignment whose impact you cannot yet see.

4. **Colossians 3:23-24** Work heartily as someone serving Christ.
Apply it Do careful work when the person who assigned it is away.

5. **Luke 16:10** Practice faithfulness in small responsibilities.
Apply it Keep a small promise you made at home.

6. **Matthew 25:21** Hear the master's response to a faithful servant.
Apply it Look for one responsibility you can steward better this week.

Kingdom point Paul measures his finish by faithfulness to Christ. The Lord is the one who judges and rewards.

Teach it Paul's finish reflects steady service to Christ. Integrity in an ordinary task trains you for larger responsibilities.

6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

1. In the passage Which words does Paul use to describe his finish? Which one stands out to you?

2. In your life Where is keeping your word costly right now? What would faithfulness look like before the year ends?

3. Put it into practice Complete one overdue commitment and tell the person who was counting on you. Who can help you follow through?

Say Yes to the King

6:30-7:15 PM Bible study 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER

Thank God for sending King Jesus. Ask Him for hearts willing to obey His Word.

6:35-6:40 / TOPIC

The Birth of Jesus Christ What makes obedience difficult when the decision affects your household?

6:40-6:55 / STUDY

Foundational passage

Read aloud from the KJV Luke 1:26-38

Key verse (KJV) “And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.” Luke 1:33

Biblical background

Gabriel visits Mary in Nazareth and announces that she will bear Jesus. He promises that Jesus will receive David's throne and reign forever. Mary asks how this will happen, hears that the Holy Ghost will come upon her, and yields to the Lord's word.

Inspiration

Bring your honest questions to God and take a faithful step with what His Word has made clear.

Kingdom revelation

Jesus' Kingdom has no end. Mary's response shows what willing obedience looks like when God announces His purposes.

Apply the Word

Name a clear instruction from Scripture you can obey before you feel ready.

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Say Yes to the King

6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

Six Kingdom teaching points Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Luke 1:26-38** Listen to what Gabriel says about Jesus and how Mary responds.
Apply it Name a clear instruction from Scripture you can obey before you feel ready.
2. **Isaiah 9:6-7** Notice the promised child's government and peace.
Apply it Let Christ's peace guide your response in a tense household decision.
3. **Matthew 1:18-25** Watch Joseph obey and learn why the child is named Jesus.
Apply it Follow Joseph's example by protecting someone else's dignity.
4. **Micah 5:2** Identify the town from which the promised ruler comes.
Apply it Remember Bethlehem when you are tempted to dismiss a small assignment.
5. **Galatians 4:4-5** See why God sent His Son in the fulness of time.
Apply it Thank the Father for bringing you into His family through Christ.
6. **Luke 1:46-49** Hear Mary magnify God for what He has done.
Apply it Give God the credit when someone notices your growth.

Kingdom point God promised an everlasting King. Mary received His word with willing obedience.

Teach it Joseph acts on God's direction even though his plans change. Protecting and caring for others may require quiet, costly obedience.

6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

1. In the passage What does Gabriel promise about Jesus? How does Mary respond?

2. In your life Joseph obeyed after hearing God's message. Where do you need to take a faithful step even if others may misunderstand?

3. Put it into practice Choose one action that puts a household member's needs ahead of your convenience. Who can help you follow through?

Good Tidings for All People

6:30-7:15 PM Bible study 7:20-7:30 PM Report back to the sanctuary for dismissal

6:30-6:35 / OPENING PRAYER

Praise God for sending the Saviour. Ask for courage to share the good news.

6:35-6:40 / TOPIC

The Birth of Jesus Christ Who first explained Jesus' birth to you in a way you could understand?

6:40-6:55 / STUDY

Foundational passage

Read aloud from the KJV Luke 2:8-20

Key verse (KJV) “For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:11

Biblical background

Shepherds keeping watch at night hear the angel announce the Saviour's birth in David's city. The heavenly host praises God. The shepherds find Jesus in the manger, tell others what they heard, and return glorifying God. Mary ponders these things.

Inspiration

The shepherds shared what they heard and saw. You can tell the good news of Jesus in words people understand.

Kingdom revelation

The angel calls Jesus Saviour, Christ, and Lord and announces good tidings for all people. The news leads the shepherds to both witness and worship.

Apply the Word

Tell a friend what the shepherds heard and why it matters to you.

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Good Tidings for All People

6:40-6:55 / STUDY CONTINUED

Six Kingdom teaching points Read each reference from the KJV.

1. **Luke 2:8-20** Follow the shepherds as they hear, go, tell, and praise.
Apply it Tell a friend what the shepherds heard and why it matters to you.
2. **Luke 2:1-7** Notice where Mary laid Jesus after His birth.
Apply it Make room for a quiet family reading of the manger story.
3. **Matthew 2:1-2** Hear why the wise men came looking for the King.
Apply it Ask how honoring Jesus as King affects one decision this week.
4. **Matthew 2:10-11** Notice how the wise men honor Jesus.
Apply it Give time or resources to someone in a way that honors Christ.
5. **John 1:14** See how the Word came to dwell among us.
Apply it Show up in person for someone who needs encouragement.
6. **Luke 2:29-32** Listen to Simeon describe God's salvation as light for the Gentiles.
Apply it Make space at your table or gathering for someone who feels overlooked.

Kingdom point The birth of Jesus is good news for all people. The shepherds heard it, shared it, and glorified God.

Teach it The shepherds report what they heard and saw. A clear personal witness can give people a place to begin asking questions.

6:55-7:15 / DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE

1. In the passage What did the shepherds do after they saw Jesus? What news did they share?

2. In your life How could you tell someone what the birth of Jesus means to you in a way they can understand?

3. Put it into practice Tell one person in two sentences why you celebrate Jesus' birth. Who can help you follow through?