

## **HEART FOR THE HOUSE**

Part 5: #Grow

Sermon Small Group Questions Speaker: Pastor Dave Patterson

We will be life-long learners; always hearing, reading, & going deeper in God's Word. #Grow

#### **USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures referenced in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your small group's goal is not to pound through the questions but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships, so knock yourself out with the discussion questions but spend more time laughing than answering the questions.

## [John 6.30-35, NLT]

They answered, "Show us a miraculous sign if you want us to believe in you. What can you do? After all, our ancestors ate manna while they journeyed through the wilderness! The Scriptures say, 'Moses gave them bread from heaven to eat.' "Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, Moses didn't give you bread from heaven. My Father did. And now he offers you the true

bread from heaven. The true bread of God is the one who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." "Sir," they said, "give us that bread every day." Jesus replied, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

## The Bible is more than just literature; it is life!

[John 1.1-4,14, NLT]

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

## **Three Things to Know About The Church**

### 1. Grow in FAITH

[Romans 10.17, NKJV]

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

# Faith is not an issue of seeing; it's an issue of hearing and believing.

## 2. Grow in GRACE

[Ephesians 5.25-27, NLT]

For husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her to make her holy and clean, washed by the cleansing of God's word. He did this to present her to

himself as a glorious church without a spot or wrinkle or any other blemish. Instead, she will be holy and without fault.

#### 3. Grow in VICTORY

[Psalm 119.11, NLT]

I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. How can desperate situations or strong desires affect our standards or quality: for food? For resources? For life?
- 2. Why do we need an ongoing, daily diet of God's Word?
- 3. What does your reality (what you are experiencing) look like right now?
- 4. When the lies of the enemy come your way, how do you fight against them?
- 5. What do you and your family need to grow the most in during this season?
- 6. How can you be a life-long learner: hearing, reading, and going deeper? What will that specifically look like for you?