



UNSEEN

SESSION 4 - SEEING THE UNSEEN

SERIES BIG IDEA

Learning to see the unseen helps us recognize that our story is part of God's bigger story of redemption.

MESSAGE BIG IDEA

The unseen becomes seen as we invite the Holy Spirit to work in and through us.

SCRIPTURE: GALATIANS 5:16-26

ICEBREAKER AND OPENING THOUGHT

The first ice-breaker question is a simple get-to-know-you question, while the opening thought question sets up the topic. Use one or both of the questions depending on your group. If your group is still getting to know one another, you may want to use both.

BIBLE DISCUSSION

The Message and The Voice translations are wordy, but they help paint a clearer picture of what the Apostle Paul is teaching in this passage. There is a lot of imagery, wisdom, and instruction packed into these ten verses. There should be plenty of material to keep your group talking, so make sure to keep your group on target by bringing them back to the battle between living by our sinful desires and living by the Spirit.

LIFE APPLICATION

Holy Awareness is paying attention to what the Holy Spirit is doing behind the scenes. This may be a new idea to the people in your group. It involves listening to your thoughts, emotions, the wise counsel of others, and listening to Scripture. Holy Awareness isn't a shortcut to get what we want in our marriage, or job, or other important relationships and decisions. It's not a magic wand, but a commitment to seek God in all our choices and deliberation both large and small.

CHALLENGE

The challenge to all of us this week is to practice "holy awareness" by asking ourselves these questions frequently as we go through our day: While you're driving to work or riding the train; while you're on your lunch break; as you stand in line at the store. Get into the habit of asking these questions frequently throughout the day and see if it changes what you see. You may find that you begin to see the unseen.