

HomeGroup Discussion Guide

March 8-14, 2009

Key Idea of the Week:

In Luke 5 Jesus performed a miracle in Simon Peter's life and as a result he was saved and left everything to follow Jesus. He went on to live an incredible life. But the whole episode happened because he was willing to sit at the feet of Jesus, and when Jesus finally spoke directly to him, he obeyed. My guess is that we all want to see miracles, be changed for the better and live impactful, productive lives. But have we taken the time to sit at the feet of Jesus and are we prepared to obey His word to us?

Discussion Guide:

Pray for God to soften your hearts and speak to you as you open His Word together.

Read Revelation 1:9-20.

Discuss

In this passage, what do you think the 'sharp double-edged sword' symbolically represents?

(Leaders, the sword represents the judgment of God, and more specifically the Word of God)

Why do you think that Jesus will return with a sword in His mouth?

Read Ephesians 6:17.

How do you think that the Word of God is like a sword?

Read Hebrews 4:12-13.

In this passage, what is the primary function of the Word of God?

Has anyone ever been 'penetrated' or 'pierced' by a Scripture? Tell about that experience and how it changed you.

Do you think that an encounter with Scripture can ever leave a person worse off? Explain.

If someone were to engage God's Word deeply and frequently and submit to it, what would be the eventual result? What would their life be characterized by?

Why is it so hard to engage God's Word deeply and frequently? Can you each name one obstacle that tends to stop you?

What can you do this week to overcome your obstacle?

Pray for courage to act on what you've learned this week and for any requests that may have been raised by members of the group.