

TALK IT OVER

Select 1 or 2 questions from each section of this guide to lead your group or house church in a discussion. Feel free to adjust as needed.

Each section is designed to follow each video segment of the message.

Video Section #1: Explore the Topic

Start it Out | Goal: Get people talking

Video Section #2: Explore what God says about the Topic

Talk it Out | Goal: Get the group talking about scripture

Video Section #3: Explore what we do with the Topic

Live it Out | Goal: Choose a question to encourage next steps

Pray it Out | Goal: Lift of prayers, petitions, and praises

KEY SCRIPTURES

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth..."

Matthew 5:13

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world —like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

Matthew 5:14-16

KEY QUOTES

"True and lasting influence always starts with people before platform."

"Just because you don't see a harvest doesn't mean your seed didn't take root."

- Craig Groeschel

"Reflect God's light to the people around you, especially to those flat on their back."

- Pastor Steve

Start it Out | Goal: Get people talking

- Who was/has been the greatest *influencer* in your life? How do/did they influence you?
- Who is one person you currently influence or have the opportunity to influence this week?

Talk it Out | Goal: Get the group talking about scripture

- Read Matthew 5:13-16. Utilizing this scripture, how can we reclaim the term *influencer* as Disciples or the church?
- Say: "True and lasting influence always starts with people before platform." What does this statement mean to you?

Live it Out | Goal: Choose a question to encourage next steps

- Who are your people? (Example: family, neighbors, coworkers, friends, barista, store clerk, hairdresser)
- What can you do this week to be *salt and light* to your community? Where can you plant a seed?

Pray it Out | Goal: Lift up prayers, petitions, and praises

- Pray together:
- Take time to share prayer requests, and spend time praying for our church, community, country, and world. Help the members of your group to feel needed and known.