

## Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for this time you have provided for us to come together to hear from you and have fellowship in your word. Father, we need you, we need your grace every minute of every day. We praise you for you are good and your steadfast love endures forever. Please open our hearts to you and to one another and lead our discussion. Your banner over us is love. May you be glorified in our thoughts and words and deeds. In Jesus' name, Amen.

**I. LECTURE:** Will someone share how the Lord used the lecture to speak to your heart? Did anyone have any questions or concerns about the lecture? If you ever have a question or something is unclear, please let us know. We want to serve you in any way we can!

## II. ABIGAILS PLEASE READ THE MAIN POINT FROM THIS WEEK'S HOMEWORK

In the beginning God formed a plan to create mankind, a vision of His glory. He created them male and female, in His image, to glorify Him. God designed mankind for marriage. Without a deep devotion to God and His Word, marriage as God intended it to be is impossible. We need to establish ourselves in God and in His Word. Our relationship with Him is paramount. Nothing can come before Him or take His place. God is the source of everything we need; He is the very core of life itself. He is worthy of all of our worship and all of our praise and deserves to be positioned in the center of our life and marriage.

## III. QUESTIONS FROM THE HOMEWORK

1. Go through the homework, occasionally calling on women. Read scriptures aloud. After asking a question, remember to allow a brief period of quiet "wait-time" to give women a chance to think before answering. After pausing, if no one shares, go ahead with your answer, rephrase question, and/or move on.

### DAY ONE      **Devotion: Made in His Image**

2. Read Genesis 1:26-27. What is our God given purpose in life? How does your heart respond to this? How are you encouraged by this truth?
3. We need to establish ourselves in God and in His Word. Our relationship with Him is paramount. Nothing can come before Him or take His place. What is preventing you from having your daily quiet time with the Lord?

### DAY TWO      **Our Origin and Purpose**

4. Read Deuteronomy 6:1-3. What does the world teach us about our origin? What does the world teach us about our position as women?
5. Where does God fit in your life? What are some of the things that demand attention in your life but that you know shouldn't have that level of priority?

### DAY THREE      **Living by His Word**

6. Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9. After reading through the Ten Commandments, do you see God's heart of love, or do you hear the voice of a judgmental, condemning God?

**DAY FOUR     God's Word**

7. Read Psalm 119:89-94. What does the psalmist say about God's Word? What are your thoughts about God's Word? Do you share the psalmist's perspective or passion?

**DAY FIVE     Undying Love for God's Word**

8. Read Psalm 119:100-104. Would someone share the commitment you made to the Lord to set aside a time each day to do your bible study and spend time in prayer?

**IV. PLEASE FILL OUT YOUR HOMEWORK ACCOUNTABILITY CARDS**

**V. PLEASE RECITE YOUR SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSES TOGETHER**

**VI. TAKING THE TRUTH TO HEART TIME**

We will now focus on taking God's truth to our hearts and bringing it to life. James 5:16a states; "Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed." And 1 Peter 2:24 says, "He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed."

Please turn to your Taking the Truth to Heart Review page. We will each have 3 minutes so that every woman will have a chance to share. Please record one another's confessions on the Taking the Truth to Heart Guide on the following page so you can pray for one another throughout the week. Abigails please set the example by always going first.

**VII. PLEASE CLOSE IN PRAYER.**