

Growth Group Homework – September 18, 2016

Life Hacks: Taking God Seriously

Wisdom is the ability to make decisions that truly build a good life. Wisdom begins with the decision to take God seriously and obey the instructions He gives us in the Bible. The phrase the Bible uses for taking God seriously is "*Fear of the Lord*." This is the beginning of wisdom.

Warm-Up

1. Is there a life hack you have tried recently? How did it work?

2. As a kid, what did you have to learn a healthy fear for?

Talk it Over

3. What part of the message stood out to you and why?

4. Read Matthew 6:28-34 and Matthew 7:24-27. What are some of the similarities or differences in these passages?

- What do these passages teach us about what it means to *Fear the Lord*?

- Can you think of an example from your life where you did this? How did that work out for you?

- What prevents people from fearing God and taking Him seriously?

5. Read the following passages and make a list of the blessings associated with the *Fear of the Lord*.

Psalms 34:7-10

Psalms 103: 11-14

Psalms 128:1-4

Proverbs 23:17-18

- Which of these blessings have you seen in your life or in the life of someone else?

- Which of these blessings would help you the most this week?

Take it Home

6. Identify an area in your life where you are not taking God seriously. What would it look like this week to make God the top priority in that area?