

# SUBJECT TO CHANGE

## Week 2 "Why Does God Want Us to Depend on Him?"

Pastor Jeff Little, September 18-19, 2021

### TABLE TALK

- Select one or two "Table Talk" cards to discuss with your group.

### WARM UP

- Have you ever had a time when you needed provision? Tell us about it.

### INTRODUCTION

Last week we talked about trusting God for direction. This week, we'll talk about an even harder topic: trusting God for His provision. Let's look at the story of God providing "manna" in the wilderness for Israel and apply it to our lives.

### DISCUSSION

1. Read Exodus 16:4. What provision did the people need in the wilderness? Why was that such a big need?
2. Read Exodus 16:4 again. What do we learn about God and His provision in this verse?
3. We typically have a default setting when it comes to provision. Which of these statements best describes you: (1) I'll never have enough; (2) If I had more, my life would be better; (3) I'm afraid I'm going to lose what I have; or (4) God will supply all my needs? Explain.
4. One of the greatest fears is not having what you need. Have you ever faced this fear? Tell us about it.
5. What does it feel like when you don't have enough? Describe those emotions.
6. When we don't have enough, what is God's solution?
7. God wants us to want HIM more than what He provides. Why is that?
8. What do you want more in your life: God or His provision?
9. How does gratitude help us when we don't have what we need?

### APPLICATION

Is there something you need God to provide in your life right now? What is it? What do you feel like God wants you to do about that need?

### PRAYER

- Pray for anyone who responds to the application question above.
- Pray for your group, that everyone would trust God more, seek God more, and receive more of His provision.
- Take prayer requests and pray for any needs in the group.

#### Exodus 16:4 (NIV)

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions."