



# **LifeGroup Discussion Packet**

## **Divine Sabotage**

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## Main Idea:

Adversity can either become a wing that lifts you up or a weight that pulls you down. In Christ, even our hardest moments can become places where God provides purpose, strength, and new life.

## Key Verse:

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.” 2 Corinthians 5:17

## Warm-Up Question:

Have you ever gone through something difficult that eventually helped you grow stronger, wiser, or closer to God? What did that season teach you?

## Discussion Questions

1. Read 2 Kings 5:1-14. Naaman was a powerful and respected commander, but he also carried a painful personal struggle. Why do you think God often uses adversity to get our attention?
2. Chad Williams shared that adversity can either be a wing that lifts you up or a weight that pulls you down. What makes the difference between those two responses?
3. Naaman almost missed his healing because the instructions seemed too simple and humbling. Where do pride, disappointment, or unmet expectations sometimes keep us from obeying God?
4. Read Matthew 16:26. Jesus asks, “What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul?” Why can reaching a major goal still leave a person feeling empty or dissatisfied?

5. Many people believe the next achievement, relationship, paycheck, promotion, or success will finally satisfy them. Why do those things never fully satisfy the deepest needs of the soul?
  
6. Read John 15:13. Jesus said there is no greater love than laying down your life for your friends. How does the sacrifice of Jesus show us the ultimate provision of God?
  
7. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-21. What does it mean that God has made us new in Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation? How should that change the way we live, forgive, serve, and share our faith?
  
8. Read 2 Timothy 2:1-4. Paul tells Timothy to be strengthened by grace and to endure hardship like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. What does spiritual endurance look like in your life right now?

## Going Deeper

This weekend's message reminds us that adversity is not always something God removes immediately. Sometimes it is something God redeems deeply. Naaman wanted healing on his own terms, but God invited him into humility and obedience.

Many people reach the "peak" of what they thought would satisfy them, only to discover that success without Christ still leaves the soul empty. But Jesus provides what achievement cannot. He provides forgiveness, new life, purpose, and salvation.

Where do you sense God inviting you to stop carrying adversity as a weight and start trusting Him to use it as a wing?

## Next Step

This week, identify one adversity, disappointment, or burden you have been carrying. Bring it honestly to God in prayer. Ask Him to show you one step of obedience you can take, even if it feels simple, humbling, or uncomfortable.

Then look for one person who may need encouragement. Since we have been made new in Christ and given the ministry of reconciliation, ask God to use your story to help point someone else toward the hope and salvation found in Jesus.