

# Journey CHURCH

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## Time To Dream Session 1: The Door to a New You Leader Guide

### Checking In:

1. If your group is new, take time to go around the room to get to know each other. Besides your name, share an interesting fact about yourself and what brought you to the group.
2. What are you hoping to get out of this Study?

### Key Verse

*"When I open a door, no one can close it. And when I close a door, no one can open it"*  
Revelation 3:7 (CEV)

### The Door to a New You

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*"From the very beginning God decided that those who came to him, and all along he knew who would, should become like his Son."*  
Romans 8:29 (TLB)

*"Continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose."*  
Philippians 2:12-13 (NIV)

*"God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it."*  
Ephesians 2:8-9 (NLT)

### Three Tools God Uses to Make You More Like Jesus Christ

The first tool is \_\_\_\_\_.

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*“The whole Bible was given to us by inspiration from God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives; it straightens us out and helps us do what is right.”*

2 Timothy 3:16 (TLB)

*“Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”*

Romans 10:17(NKJV)

- God’s will is always \_\_\_\_\_.
- God will never \_\_\_\_\_.

The second tool is \_\_\_\_\_.

*“His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness.”*

2 Peter 1:3 (NIV)

*“As the spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him.”*

2 Corinthians 3:18 (TLB)

The third tool is \_\_\_\_\_.

*“We know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God And are called according to his purpose for them.”*

Romans 8:28 (NLT)

*“For God chose them to become like his Son.”*

Romans 8:29 (NLT)

## Three Choices to Cooperate with God’s Spiritual Growth Process

You must choose \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Be careful how you think. Your life is shaped by your thoughts.”*

Proverbs 4:23 (GNB)

*“There must be a spiritual renewal of your thoughts and attitudes.”*

Ephesians 4:23(NLT)

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*“How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word. I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.”*

Psalm 119:9-11 (NIV)

**You must choose** \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Take care to live in me, and let me live in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit when severed from the vine. Nor can you be fruitful apart from me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever lives in me and I in him shall produce a large crop of fruit.”*

John 15:4-5 (TLB)

**You must choose** \_\_\_\_\_.

*“When all kinds of trials crowd into your lives, don’t resent them as intruders but welcome them as friends. Realize that they come to test your faith and to produce in you the quality of endurance. But let the process go on until that endurance is fully developed, and you become people of mature character.”*

James 1:2-4 (Phillips)

## The Door to Salvation

*“I am the door, and the person who enters through me will be saved.”*

John 10:9 (NCV)

## Discovery Questions

1. Which of the three tools Pastor Rick mentioned (the Bible, the power of the Holy Spirit, circumstances) has God recently been using in your life?
2. Which of the three choices to cooperate with God’s spiritual growth process do you need to focus on this week? Why did you choose that one?
3. Have a couple people in your group share their story of coming to faith in Jesus. What were inner changes that you noticed since you made that decision?
4. Romans 8:29 says, *“For God chose them to become like his Son”* (NLT). What does becoming more “like his Son” mean to you?