Week 9: Be Productive

Thought
Being productive is exhilarating; it’s living each day on purpose. And it’s as easy as beginning with the end in mind—our vision or goals and a plan that gets us from where we are now to where we know we want to be. God has called us to live productive lives. Change comes when you leave the comfort zone and step out in faith to become everything God created you to be. Determine your vision, set daily, weekly, monthly, and/or annual goals, and eliminate everything else that is standing in your way. Pray daily for wisdom and direction and trust that God will get you to where he wants you to be.

Scripture
Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.
Proverbs 16:3 (NIV)

Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.
Proverbs 21:5 (NLT)

May he grant your heart’s desires and make all your plans succeed.
Psalm 20:4 (NLT)

Discussion Questions
• Using a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being the lowest, how would you rate yourself on being productive?

• A few of the key areas that we need plans for are our finances, marriage, children, business and community relationships, walk with the Lord, service to others, health and possessions.

• In what areas of your life do you feel like you are in complete control and have a solid plan to meet your long-term goals?

• In what areas of your life do you feel like you are maybe a little bit out of control and don’t have a specific plan?

• What are some effective ways to make sure you reach your goals?

Next Steps
What is one practical step you can take this week to move one step? What else can you start doing to see an immediate improvement in determining your goals and managing your time, energy and efforts to make sure you achieve each one?
**Closing Thoughts**
Ask the group members to pair up and exchange phone numbers to connect and pray before next week’s meeting.

What is the next step each group member should take to move closer to Christ (i.e. weekend service, water baptism, Growth Track or Dream Team)?

Encourage each member to read his Bible and pray with his children and spouse daily.

Close in prayer.