

FAITH beyond BELIEF

SESSION 5

Sharing Life

(20 minutes)

Gather: Greet and check-in with your Life Group partners.

Discuss: Review your *Personal Life Application Challenge* from the past week related to Principle #2 of Prayer Evangelism, “**Fellowship: Build relationships with those outside the kingdom of God.**” Your challenge was to intentionally seek to build relationships by initiating conversations with three different people in your Circles of Influence that you didn’t know very well yet. You were also to record some of the things you learned about these three people to help you remember details for future relationship building.

Have several people in your Life Group tell briefly about **one** of their three conversations. Then, “go deeper” by asking them any of the following questions. Read the questions together first.

- Which of your Circles of Influence did your conversation involve? Family, work, church, community, other?
- Why did you choose to talk to this particular person? What was the setting of your conversation? What kinds of questions did you ask?
- What was something you learned about the person that you didn’t know before? How did this person respond to your interest in getting to know them better?
- Did this person ask you any questions in return? Did it feel like a two-way conversation?
- What kind of fears did you have to overcome to complete this Life Application Challenge? Do you think it will be easier to initiate a conversation with this person next time?
- Did any particular needs in the life of this person become known to you during your conversation?
- Did any part of your conversation with this person touch on spiritual issues?

- What natural “next steps” will you take to build a deeper relationship with this person now that you’ve begun to get to know them better?
- In what ways did you sense the Holy Spirit guiding you this past week as you applied Principle #2 of Prayer Evangelism within your Circles of Influence?

Your *Group* Life Application Challenge was to plan a Life Group fellowship event and invite one or more families to join you that had been identified through your Circles of Influence as having needs related to any of the four aspects of Systemic Poverty.

Has the event happened yet or is it still coming up? Are there any further details to review together? Has the family or families been invited to the event? Have they agreed to come? Is there any information that the Life Group should know that would either help avoid embarrassment or contribute to building relationships?

If the event has already taken place, take a few minutes to debrief. Did the event accomplish its purpose? Did the family or families show up and feel welcomed? Were relationships strengthened? Were there any uncomfortable moments? Was the response positive? Later in this session we will talk about some next steps.

(Did you take on a *Faith Beyond Belief* Optional Challenge to reach-out and build a stronger relationship with someone in your neighborhood, workplace, city or region? What did you do? What happened?)

Pray Together: Dear God, thanks again for bringing our Life Group back together this week. Thank you for the friendships that are growing as we share life together. Thank you for the courage and strength provided to each Life Group member to “fellowship and build relationships” with others this past week. We ask that you continue to bless those with whom we spoke and provide us with opportunities for further conversation. Help us also to continue to reach-out with the love of Christ to those who are hurting and have special needs. Come and fill this place with your Holy Spirit so that we can grow together as your servants and see our world transformed. We love you, Jesus. Amen.

Transformed Thinking

(30 minutes)

“Kingdom Builders”

Read: This week’s theme focuses on Transformation Paradigm #4:

“Our primary call is to take the kingdom of God to where the kingdom of darkness is entrenched in order for Jesus to build His Church.”

The Great Commission of Matthew 28 challenges us to “Go” to every nation with the message and authority that has been given to us in Christ. The Great Commission represents Jesus’ “marching orders” for the Church. We are to go on the offense by taking the light of Christ to places that have long been held captive to sin, including those in the marketplace of business, education and government. Maintenance ministry will not do. Each of the transformation paradigms call us to “believe, think and act” in new ways. To fulfill the Great Commission will require Faith Beyond Belief. Let’s further define this phrase with a simple equation:

Faith Beyond Belief = Belief + Trust + Obedience

Faith that goes beyond mere **Belief** in God must include both **Trust** and **Obedience**. As Christians we are often quick to say that we believe in God and trust in Jesus, but then continue right on “doing life” our way. No wonder we suffer with wounded hearts and orphaned spirits. We need obedience to follow our belief and trust. Only obedience leads to lasting transformation. This is true for the Christian Church as well.

Discuss: Parents, how would you feel if your kids said they believed in you and trusted you, but they never obeyed you? Which of these aspects of Faith do you struggle with the most... Belief, Trust, or Obedience? Why?

Read: Today’s transformation paradigm is packed with meaning. Let’s look at each of the three key phrases. The **first phrase of Paradigm #4** states that “**Our primary call is to take the kingdom of God to where the kingdom of darkness is entrenched in order for Jesus to build His Church.**” We have already discovered that each of us has a calling to be ministers 24/7 whether in the pulpit or the marketplace. Here we are told that this calling is to take the kingdom of God to the world. So what is the kingdom of God?

The **kingdom of God** refers to three things:

1. God's Sovereignty!

“The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.”
Psalm 103:9 (God exercises authority and rules over all creation.)

“Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.” ***Psalm 145:13*** (The physical kingdoms that exist on earth in the form of nations, rulers, institutions and powers will come and go, but the kingdom of God lasts forever.)

2. The reality of Christ's presence in the world and in us!

“... Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ‘The time has come,’ he said. ‘The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!’”
Mark 1:14-15 (The kingdom of God comes near through Jesus who is God in the flesh. Today, Jesus is with us by the Holy Spirit which has been poured out on all people.)

“I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again.”
John 3:3 (The kingdom of God is a spiritual reality that can only be seen and experienced by those whose lives have been transformed by Jesus.)

“The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation, nor will people say, ‘Here it is’ or ‘There it is,’ because the kingdom of God is within you.” ***Luke 17:20-21*** (If you are a Christian, the kingdom of God is not only near you and around you, it is within you through the Spirit of Jesus Christ.)

“This is how you should pray: ‘Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.’” ***Matthew 6:9-10***
(God wants to see his kingdom established on earth just like it is in heaven.)

3. Future glory!

“I tell you the truth, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power.” ***Mark 9:1*** (This refers both to resurrection power, which we are already experiencing, and the full manifestation of Jesus' power and glory that we will witness at the Second Coming. Sin will be no more and Jesus will reign forever!)

“Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.” ***Psalm 145:13a*** (The kingdom of God is eternal.)

Transformation Paradigm #4 suggests that it is our calling as disciples to take this full meaning of the kingdom of God and share it with the world in both word and deed, even the dark and evil places. The kingdom of God represents all of God's love, forgiveness and grace to heal a hurting world... and it represents all of God's power and authority to defeat the enemy that is holding it hostage.

Discuss: Summarize the three primary meanings of the kingdom of God. What is the special significance of the phrase, *“The kingdom of God is within you?” Luke 17:21b* How does this strengthen the case that God desires to use every disciple as a partner in transformation?

Read: The **second phrase of Paradigm #4** is: “Our primary call is to take the kingdom of God to where the kingdom of darkness is entrenched in order for Jesus to build his Church.”

When we look at our world we see the effects of evil all around us. There are wars and rumors of wars. There is poverty, racism, divorce and murder. There is waste and corruption in business, education and government, the heart of the marketplace.

Because the Church hasn’t operated with a “kingdom mentality,” we have often given up on seeing transformation come to these various segments of society. At our worst, we have adopted the attitude that we must simply try to survive in this world until Jesus returns to take us to heaven. Instead, Jesus teaches us to go to every dark place with the light of Christ, the very kingdom of God within us, and trust God to bring the transformation!

One day Jesus asks his disciples a very important question:

“Who do people say the Son of Man is?” Matthew 16:13

The disciples have several theories, but Simon Peter answers,

“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Matthew 16:16

Jesus affirms his correct response when he says,

*“Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”
Matthew 16:17-19*

Quote:

“From this we can deduce three key characteristics of what the church is meant to be and to do. First, it consists of people, not buildings. Second, it is entrusted with authority to implement God’s will. Third, it is meant to be on the offensive, not the defensive, since Jesus stated that the gates of Hades would not prevail against it, and gates have never attacked anyone. On the contrary, in war, enemy gates are to be stormed.”
(Silvoso, Transformation, p.154)

Discuss: Where do you see darkness and evil entrenched in your city or region? Why has the Christian Church often found it easier to separate from the world rather than engage with the world?

Read: The **third phrase of Paradigm #4** is: “Our primary call is to take the kingdom of God to where the kingdom of darkness is entrenched **in order for Jesus to build his Church.**”

Who is to build the Church? Jesus! He declares, *“And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.” Matthew 16:18*

Jesus will build the Church on the confession of faith uttered first by Peter, who says, *“You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.” Matthew 16:16* Even the devil and his demons cannot overcome it. One day they will all bow down to the *“name that is above every name”* and confess that Jesus is Lord. (See *Philippians 2:9-11.*) Now that’s transformation!

And to his disciples Jesus gives *“the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Matthew 16:19*

The “keys of the kingdom” represent our authority in Christ to implement God’s will. We can exercise this authority by declaring that our families, neighborhoods, workplaces, schools and cities are off-limits to the evil one. When Jesus says that we have authority to “bind” and “loose” he means that we have authority in the Spirit to say “yes” to the things of God and “no” to the works of the devil!

Discuss: When you consider your city or region, where do you see places “entrenched in darkness?” Pause right now, pray together and exercise your spiritual authority as a Life Group to “bind” and “loose” in Jesus’ name. Then discuss some of the more tangible ways that you can take the kingdom of God to the dark places in your city?

Read: Transformation Churches will be on the front lines of taking the kingdom of God to where the kingdom of darkness is entrenched in our cities and nations. That’s why Transformation Churches around the world today are characterized by the following commitments:

1. **Transformation Churches develop transformed followers of Jesus who are being used by God to transform their church, community and world.**
2. **Transformation Churches partner with the “Church of the City” which is made up of all believers in Christ in their geographic area.**
3. **Transformation Churches train, equip, commission and release their members to be ministers in the marketplace of everyday life.**
4. **Transformation Churches invest a growing percentage of their resources in mission and ministry beyond their walls with a goal of giving away more than they keep.**
5. **Transformation Churches implement biblical transformation “paradigms and principles” in order to see their cities transformed and the Great Commission fulfilled.**

Discuss: Which of these characteristics of Transformation Churches are currently being “lived-out” in your local congregation? Which of these characteristics represents your congregation’s “growing edge?”

Read: The church is the people, not the building! As we make these paradigm shifts in the way we “believe, think and act” as individuals, therein exists the potential to develop a congregation that fully implements these same transformation paradigms. And if a local congregation, why not a group of local congregations partnering together to reach their city? And if a city, why not a region, a state/province, a nation? Is anything too great for God?

The following chart represents the shift that is taking place in congregations around the world as a result of implementing the “5 Biblical Paradigms of Nation Transformation.”

<u>Traditional Church</u>	<u>Transformation Church</u>
Maintainence	Mission
Professional Christians	Everyone a Minister
Spiritual Care	Training and Equipping
Individual Conversions	Community Transformation
Inside Programs	Outside Engagement
Congregation Centered	Church of the City
Church Growth	Kingdom Growth
Acts of Charity	Systemic Poverty
Limited Vision	Unlimited Vision

Discuss: What might happen if we stop trying to build our own kingdoms and give our efforts toward building the kingdom of God? How do you understand the difference between a congregational focus on “church growth” versus “kingdom growth?” How can you contribute in a positive way to help your local congregation grow as a Transformation Church?

Quote:

“Building the Church is what Jesus does; taking His kingdom all over the earth is what He commanded us to do. Why is this still necessary if He died victoriously on the cross and rose majestically from the tomb? Because there is an evil empire still entrenched all over the earth that needs to be dismantled using the keys entrusted to us. Satan and his minions no longer have the authority in the heavenly realm nor the right on Earth, but like stubborn spiritual squatters, they refuse to relinquish their position, and this is why Jesus has deputized His Church (His army) to evict them.” (Silvoso, Transformation, p.158)

Summary:

- The Christian Church is built upon the “rock solid” confession that “Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.”
- Jesus will build the Church because it’s his Church. We’re to build the kingdom.
- Satan doesn’t have a chance to win the battle.
- As disciples, we’ve been given spiritual authority referred to as the “keys of the kingdom” to bind evil and loose the Spirit of God here on earth.
- We are called to be on the offensive, taking the light of Christ to everyplace in our world that is entrenched in darkness.
- Transformation Churches don’t retreat from the world. They engage the world that God loves in the name of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Transformed Living

(30 minutes)

“Minister and Respond to Felt Needs”

Read: Let’s review again the four key steps to Prayer Evangelism as taught by Jesus in *Luke 10*. Remember, they do not represent a program but a lifestyle for every faithful disciple who desires to see transformation come to individuals, families, churches, cities and nations. They are:

1. **Bless:** speak peace to people and systems in your sphere of influence. (*vs.5-6*)
2. **Fellowship:** build relationships with those outside the kingdom of God. (*vs.7-8*)
3. **Minister:** respond to their felt needs in the name of Jesus. (*vs.9a*)
4. **Proclaim:** announce that the kingdom of God has come near and is available to them through Jesus Christ. (*vs.9b*)

In this session we will focus on **Principle #3** and the importance of responding with the love of Christ to people’s “felt needs” before we minister to their “deeper needs.”

In *Luke 10:9a*, Jesus simply says, **“Heal the sick who are there.”**

Jesus was first and foremost a servant. The Bible says that he came **“...to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”** *Matthew 20:28b* The miracles Jesus performed often responded to the “felt needs” of the people he encountered. By first demonstrating the love of God, he opened hearts to receive the greater miracle of forgiveness from sin and a transformed life.

What is a “felt need?” A **“felt need” is the need that is presenting itself in a person’s life right now.** When we respond to someone’s “felt need” we are showing them the unconditional love of Jesus. We are demonstrating that we are willing to meet them where they are at. It’s not about pushing our agenda. It’s about responding to theirs.

Discuss: Look at this list of issues and challenges that people often face in our world. Identify some of the “felt needs” and the “deeper needs” in each case. There are no right answers. Use your imagination and experience to think about each situation and explore some of the possibilities.

Issues/Challenges	Felt Needs	Deeper Needs
Hunger		
Sickness		
Loneliness		
Unemployment		
Anxiety		
Addiction		
Apathy		

Read: In order for someone to share their needs with us, trust must usually be established. That’s why Prayer Evangelism begins by “speaking peace” and “building relationships” with non-believers. Once a need is expressed, we can offer to pray, respond to the need directly, or both. Most people will open-up to the Lord only when they have come to believe that we genuinely care about them and can be trusted.

What does the Bible say about responding to the “felt needs” of those outside the kingdom of God? Take turns reading. Circle the action words.

“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.” Philippians 2:3-4 (Responding to the needs of others means looking beyond ourselves.)

“What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, ‘Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,’ but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.” James 2:14-17 (Our faith is truly tested by our ability to see and respond to the needs of others.)

“(Jesus said) ‘Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?’ The expert in the law replied, ‘The one who had mercy on him.’ Jesus told him, ‘Go and do likewise.’” Luke 10:36-37 (The Parable of the Good Samaritan teaches us that our neighbor is anyone who is in need of mercy.)

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.” II Corinthians 1:3-4 (The compassion and comfort of God is meant to be extended to all those facing trouble.)

“Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted. Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” Galatians 6:1-2 (Meeting “felt needs” can be used by God to bring spiritual restoration.)

“And we urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else.” I Thessalonians 5:14-15 (“Everyone else” includes those outside of the kingdom of God.)

“Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.” I Peter 2:12 (Even unbelievers will glorify God because of our good deeds.)

“This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.” I John 3:16-18 (To respond to the “felt needs” of others is to demonstrate the love of Christ.)

Discuss: How would you summarize the overall message of these amazing scripture passages? Quickly review the action words. What risks are involved in trying to respond to the “felt needs” of others, especially those who may not know Christ? Have you ever been “burned” trying to help someone? Why does responding to someone’s “felt needs” seem to open their heart to allow Jesus to minister to their “deeper needs?”

Read: Prayer Evangelism Principle #3, **“Minister: respond to their felt needs in the name of Jesus,”** not only gives us an opportunity to be the “hands and feet” of Jesus, but gives God an opportunity to demonstrate his love by meeting the need, sometimes miraculously!

Quote:

“Jesus is not merely a message to be preached; He is a proactive Savior. He is ready to prove to the lost that he came into the world to save sinners by performing miracles when they need them the most. This is the heart of prayer evangelism and, when properly implemented, it is capable of doing much more than leading a few neighbors to the Lord. Prayer evangelism can change the spiritual climate over entire cities and regions.” (Silvoso, Prayer Evangelism, p.60)

Summary:

- Prayer Evangelism is a lifestyle, not a program.
- A “felt need” is an obvious need that is being experienced in a person’s life right now.
- The “felt needs” of non-believers won’t usually be shared unless they know that someone cares and can be trusted.
- We can respond to the “felt needs” of others with both prayer and action, demonstrating the unconditional love of Jesus and giving God an opportunity to work in their lives.
- Responding to “felt needs” is one of the practical ways that we “take the kingdom of God to where the kingdom of darkness is entrenched in order for Jesus to build his Church.” (Paradigm #4)
- Implementing a lifestyle of Prayer Evangelism leads to Transformed Thinking and Transformed Living.

Life Application Challenges

(20 minutes)

Read: Your *Personal* Life Application Challenge this week is to respond to a “felt need” of at least one of the three people with whom you initiated conversations this past week. God may also prompt you to respond to the needs of others.

Like building blocks, you have been implementing the Principles of Prayer Evangelism: to pray, bless and speak peace, build relationships with individuals and families in your Circles of Influence, and now, to go deeper by intentionally responding to “felt needs” while asking God to do miracles.

Remember, responding to “felt needs” requires that you get beyond your needs and agendas no matter how spiritual they may be. This challenge will require you to not only “see a need” but “fill a need.” By responding in this way you will be meeting a non-believer at their point of need today and demonstrating the unconditional love of Christ.

Because Prayer Evangelism is a lifestyle, there are no easy answers for how this Life Application Challenge is to be carried out. Just as Jesus’ disciples entered village after village and responded to the “felt needs” of the people they met, you must trust the Holy Spirit to guide you to the right people and show you their “felt needs” and how you can best respond.

Be bold in praying for people’s needs expecting God to answer in mighty and miraculous ways. But also understand that God will often use you to “be the answer” by responding in a physical, tangible way to help meet their need. Remember, God welcomes us to be his partners in transformation!

Once again, record the name of the person, the “felt need,” and how God answered prayer and used you to respond. You will share highlights of this Life Application Challenge at the beginning of the next session.

Name: _____ Felt Need: _____

How I responded:

Name: _____ Felt Need: _____

How I responded:

Name: _____ Felt Need: _____

How I responded:

Your *Group Life Application Challenge* is to respond as a Life Group to at least one significant “felt need” of the family or families with whom you’ve been working. You have already been praying for them, speaking peace into their lives and building relationships. The next step in implementing Prayer Evangelism is to respond to their “felt needs.”

Again, pray together for insight and direction from the Holy Spirit. It’s perfectly alright to say, “Our Life Group from church would like to bless your family. Is there a need that we could help you with?” Or you may have already observed a “felt need” and can simply ask if they would be comfortable if you responded to it. When you approach someone as a friend they are more likely to be open to receive your help. Ideas to get you thinking may include:

- Repairs to their home.
- Welcoming them into your friendship circles.
- Job Networking
- Helping with child care.
- Providing a financial blessing.
- Helping fill their cupboards or refrigerator with food.
- Providing emotional support during a time of sickness or loss.
- Assisting with yard work.
- Sitting with them at worship.

Take a few moments right now to talk this over in your Life Group. Consider how you will proceed to identify these “felt needs” and respond to them. What are your next steps? Who will take the lead? _____

Your *Faith Beyond Belief* Optional Challenge this week is to respond to a “felt need” in your city or region on an ongoing basis. As you contemplate your involvement in your city through a ministry, community organization or volunteer network, ask yourself: “Where is my city hurting? Where is darkness entrenched? Where does “systemic poverty” have a stronghold? How can I get involved? How can I use my talents and abilities to respond to these “felt needs” and bring the light of Christ?” Ideas to get you thinking may include:

- Join a city-wide prayer group.
- Get involved in a “marketplace ministry” network.
- Call the Mayor or Police Chief and ask where they could use some help in meeting the needs of the city.
- Join a Ministry Team at your church that is reaching out into the community.
- Build homes through an organization like Habitat for Humanity.
- Volunteer at your local Food Shelf.
- Give your time through a mentoring program with youth.
- Serve as a coach for a youth sports team.
- Help plan an event that addresses issues like poverty and racism.
- Organize a group to help clean-up the local parks and playgrounds.

What’s your next step? _____

Prayer Support

(15 minutes)

Take a few moments to bring updates, share answered prayers as well as new prayer requests within your group. Write them down here:

Now, close with a prayer for these needs and agree to pray for each other throughout the week.

Details

(5 minutes)

Finalize any details with the Host/Leader and Life Group.

Our next Life Group Session is:

Date:

Location:

Time:

Remember to bring:

Daily Devotions

Read: You are encouraged to continue to build the “good habit” of Daily Devotions including Bible study, reflection and prayer. Join King David who declares, *“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.” Psalm 119:105* As you go deeper in applying the transformation “paradigms and principles” that are a part of this Faith Beyond Belief series, a foundation of prayer and God’s Word is essential! Below you will find some passages of scripture for each day of the coming week, starting with Day One tomorrow. Read the scripture. Reflect on the questions. Pray as God leads you. Be blessed!

Day One – I Thessalonians 5:1-11

What does it mean to you personally to be a “son or daughter of the light and of the day?” Reflect on an area of your life in which you would like to exercise more “self-control?” On what basis are we to “encourage one another and build each other up?”

Day Two – I John 1:5-10

Why is it important that you “walk in the light” if you’re going to take the “kingdom of God to where the kingdom of darkness is entrenched?” (Paradigm #4) Why is humility before God and others such an important precursor to forgiveness? If you confess your sins, what is God’s absolute promise?

Day Three – Galatians 5:13-15

What’s the difference between serving out of love and serving out of duty? Reflect on practical examples of how you can “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Why does this commandment summarize all of the other commandments of God?

Day Four – Romans 8:28-39

As you respond to someone’s “felt needs,” how might verse 28 serve as an encouragement to you... and to others? Why do people that are experiencing trouble often feel that God has forgotten them? What reassurance is provided in this passage? Are you convinced?

Day Five – John 4:1-26

How did Jesus use a “felt need” to connect to “deeper needs” in the life of the woman at the well? How did Jesus turn the conversation from religion to relationship? Where are the “watering holes” in your daily life where you have opportunities to respond to the needs of others?

Day Six – Philippians 4:10-20

What is the secret of being content in any and every situation? What do you have to do today that will require an extra measure of the Lord’s strength? Reflect on how God has supplied “all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus?”

Day Seven – Your Life Group meets again. Praise the Lord!