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# LIFE GROUPS

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

These questions are designed to help groups discuss the weekend teaching while building relationships with each other and applying God's Word to our lives.

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### WARM UP



1. This weekend, we learned about the storms of life, when things don't go as we predicted. Often, good stories are not predictable. What's something small, funny, or unbelievable that didn't go according to your plan but made for a good story?
2. Ricky asked us what we do in a storm, and pointed out what we do naturally might be different than what God wants us to do in a storm. When something gets unexpectedly hard, what's your default reaction: fix it, avoid it, vent about it, or something else?
3. Was there a moment, story, or point that especially resonated with or challenged you from this weekend's message?

### KNOW IT



Read James 1:2-4, 12, 19-26

1. James 1 talks about trials producing "steadfastness" (or some Bible translations say "perseverance"). Hebrews 12:1-3 also gives us a picture of perseverance as well. How would you explain in your own words what that means?
2. Ricky emphasized that trials are not about "if" but "when." (See also 1 Peter 4:12-13). Why do you think it's important to accept that trials are inevitable instead of being surprised by them? How might that change the way we respond when they come?
3. Verses 22-25 call us to be "doers of the Word, not hearers only." What's the difference between being a *hearer* of the Word and a *doer*? Why do you think that matters even more in difficult seasons?

## SHARE IT



1. Ricky talked about how setbacks can become setups for something God wants to do. Can you think of a time in your life a setback turned out to be a setup? What did God do with it that you didn't see coming?

2. Looking at the three items on the "Checklist in the Storm," when you're in a stressful or painful situation, what's hardest for you: embracing the interruption, obeying what you know is right, or continuing to pray?

## LIVE IT



1. Ricky defined worry vs. prayer: *worry is a conversation with yourself; prayer is a conversation with God.* What would it look like to intentionally shift one area of worry into prayer this week?

2. When it comes to obedience, Ricky challenged us to move from "working on it" to just "doing it". Is there something in your life, big or small, you've been "working on" that you need to just "do"? What would it look like to "do it"?