

PEOPLE

WEEK TWO | POWER TOOLS OR PLASTIC SHOVELS



USING THE TOOLS GOD HAS GIVEN YOU

You have the plans
now you need
the power.

Leaders: Take your group through each section: Pray, Reflect, and Reach. Keep in mind the time allowances. In the Reflect section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.

"GRACE AND PEACE BE MULTIPLIED TO YOU IN THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD AND OF JESUS OUR LORD, AS HIS DIVINE POWER HAS GIVEN TO US ALL THINGS THAT PERTAIN TO LIFE AND GODLINESS, THROUGH THE KNOWLEDGE OF HIM WHO CALLED US BY GLORY AND VIRTUE, 4 BY WHICH HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO US EXCEEDINGLY GREAT AND PRECIOUS PROMISES, THAT THROUGH THESE YOU MAY BE PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE NATURE, HAVING ESCAPED THE CORRUPTION THAT IS IN THE WORLD THROUGH LUST."

2 Peter 1:2-4

Every child is on a unique journey to discover God; to have their own faith in Him. It's not enough to rely on mom and dad's faith. That's true in your family and it's also true in ours. Our oldest son, Alec, experienced his own wayward season in his faith journey. We praise God that He is walking strong with Jesus now, but he certainly wasn't in that difficult season. While God used many things to draw Him back, it was Rachel's prayers that pulled our son up out of the pit. I can tell you beyond a doubt that God heard her prayers and faithfully answered.

Remember, what God has called you to relationally is supernatural! And since it's supernatural you can't make it happen naturally. Thankfully, He has given you everything you need through prayer, His Word, and His Holy Spirit. Don't settle for anything less than God's power, because if you do, you'll tear down your relationships instead of build them up.



WATCH

Play the video prepared for this lesson by Pastor Derek Neider. Video sessions are available for download at www.cclasvegas.org/GROUPS



PRAY (10 min)

As a Home Group, take a moment and share, how God has demonstrated His power through prayer, His Word or His Holy Spirit in your relationships. In this time, give Him the glory for His faithfulness.



REFLECT (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through the lesson this week, consider these questions as a group and discuss them together.

Peter couldn't be clearer in these verses that the power we need for life and godliness comes from God. Moreover, He indicates it's something that we already have.

- **How can you be more reliant on God's power in your relationships. Identify an area of struggle that exists because you've relied on your own strength?**



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“FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS LIVING AND POWERFUL, AND SHARPER THAN ANY TWO-EDGED SWORD, PIERCING EVEN TO THE DIVISION OF SOUL AND SPIRIT, AND OF JOINTS AND MARROW, AND IS A DISCERNER OF THE THOUGHTS AND INTENTS OF THE HEART. 13 AND THERE IS NO CREATURE HIDDEN FROM HIS SIGHT, BUT ALL THINGS ARE NAKED AND OPEN TO THE EYES OF HIM TO WHOM WE MUST GIVE ACCOUNT.”

- **Have you been praying consistently for the people God has placed in your life? Describe a time that God has moved through your prayers. Make a short list of people and situations you need to regularly pray for.**

“IF WE PRAYED MORE WE WOULD STRUGGLE LESS.”

God's Word reveals the truth in every matter. Sometimes we allow our emotions to cloud the way we see things..

- **Identify any situation where you have allowed your emotions to dictate the way you perceive someone and maybe even treat them.**
- **What does the Scripture tell you to do in this situation?**

The Holy Spirit empowers you to live a supernatural life.

- **List three areas that you need the Holy Spirit to help you in. Humble yourself and ask Him to empower you and choose by faith to walk in this as answered prayer.**
- **Is there any self-centered attitude that you need to confess to God and forgiveness you need to receive from someone?**

“BUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE, JOY, PEACE, LONGSUFFERING, KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS, SELF-CONTROL.” Galatians 5:22-23



REACH 5 MIN.

Considering what God revealed to you this week, how can you walk in God's power and not your own.

Identify one relationship that you are going to use these 3 power tools (prayer, God's Word, Holy Spirit) in.

Next week we will be anxiously awaiting your praise report about how God moved in His mighty power.