

Compass Life Group Resources

Bible Story Study

Flip the Script – Week 1

We choose the voices that we listen to.

What voices are you listening to these days (think of influences in your life)? – name them.

Are those voices positive or negative in their influence? Discuss.

We always have a choice between two different voices – Advocate (Holy Spirit) or adversary (Satan).

Can you identify at least three ways that Satan speaks influence into our lives?

Answers: Culture, people, Satan directly (temptation, lies).

How does God speak influence into our lives? Discuss.

Answers: Church life (life groups, prayer partners, mentors, serving, etc.) Bible, Holy Spirit.

If we know which voices to listen to, and which not to listen to, what's the problem? Why don't we just stop listening to the adversary and only listen to our Advocate? Discuss.

What's wrong with me...I always... mess up everything. – Does this sound familiar?

Read Romans 7:15-24. Paul's words seem to agree with these words from our message. But Paul then delivers a message of hope. Read Romans 8:1-2, 5-10. We have the Holy Spirit dwelling in us. He is stronger than Satan (1 Jn. 4:4).

Three steps to take for healthy & spiritual thinking

Learn to celebrate the mystery and wonder of your mind. - Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it. (Psalm 139:14 – NLT)

1. We are made in God's image (even in our fallen condition). We are made to communicate (commune) with God. We are made for relationships. We are made to love. We are made to create. We are made to choose.

You have so much potential. What do you think God wants you to do with it? Discuss.

2. Know that the enemy will try to capture your mind.

The bible says that there is a spiritual battle going on and our minds are part of the battlefield.

Read 1 Corinthians 10:3-5. How do we fight this battle? With what weapons do we fight? Discuss.

Read Ephesians 6 for more information about weapons and protection in this spiritual battle. Are you utilizing all of these weapons and protections? If not, why not? Discuss.

3. Make choices to transform your mind. – Actually, it is God who transforms our minds, through the power and working of the Holy Spirit (2 Cor. 3:18). But He can only do so if we choose to allow Him to transform us. We can resist Him (Gal. 5:17, Eph. 4:30, 1 Thess. 5:19), so let us choose to let God transform us.

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. (Rom. 12:2 - NLT)!

Spend some time in prayer about which voices you are choosing to listen to. Ask God to help you change and grow. Ask God to help you yield to the Holy Spirit and reject Satan's lies and temptations.