**Table Host & Helper Notes—Session 7: How Does God Guide Us?**

The talk at this session is important and comes before the retreat. Since hearing from God and being guided by God is one of the ways the Holy Spirit moves in our lives, having a grasp of this talk can make the retreat talks easier to understand.

Through the VIDEO message and our discussion today**, we really want to convey to the Guests that God really does have a beautiful plan for their lives.** Try to create ways for people who feel like they have “messed up” in life to see that our God is a God of second, third, and fourth chances.

**Reminders:**

* Retreat FAQ’s
  + *Do I have to come*? This day is a way for you to listen to three consecutive talks on the Holy Spirit who is the Consoler Jesus promised to send to us. If you attend, many of your questions about the Holy Spirit will be answered.
  + *How important is the retreat?* The retreat is important enough that many of our guests continue to talk about it long after the course is over. Many have indicated it impacted their lives in a very significant way.
  + *Will we be with our groups?* Yes, your group can sit together, eat lunch together, discuss the sessions together, and pray together.

* Remember to close out your session with prayer that lifts up the group, including anybody absent, and the success of the upcoming retreat. Keep encouraging them to pray and giving opportunities through silence and simplicity.

**Scripture References:**

**John 10:27-28**

My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand.

**Luke 1:38**

Mary said, “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

**1 John 4:1**

Beloved, do not trust every spirit but test the spirits to see whether they belong to God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

**1 John 4:16**

We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us. God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him. In this is love brought to perfection among us, that we have confidence on the Day of Judgment because as he is, so are we in this world.

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Step by Step

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| 6:00 pm | Team Meeting & Prayer then go to your tables to be ready to greet your Guests. |
| 6:30 pm | **Session Leader** will welcome and announce time for the meal and lead us in prayer.  **Helper or Kitchen Crew** should clear the table and refill drinks if necessary. |
| 7:00 pm | **Session Leader** will give an introduction & joke followed by **Music & Song.** |
| 7:15 pm | VIDEO presentation, **“How Does God Guide Us?”** |
| 7:45 pm | Short break then groups will get back to their discussion tables.  **Helpers or Kitchen Crew**- get water & coffee for your group and serve dessert. |
| 8:00 pm | **Small Group Discussion:**  1. What stood out for you in the video?  2. Has anyone had a sense in the last few weeks that God has been guiding them?  3. How do you feel about the idea of God having a plan for your life?  4. What should we do if we believe we have made a mess of our lives?  5. What do you think about the comment that God will guide those who are willing to follow Him, those that listen to His voice? Jn 10:27, “My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.” |
| 8:25 pm | Keep track of your own ending time.  End in Prayer. |
| 8:30 pm | Team meeting for quick wrap up and prayer. |
| Notes: | Please pray for the Day Away retreat. |