

HOPE GROUP

STUDY & DISCUSSION GUIDE

GETTING TO KNOW ME

Have you ever known someone who seemed to start out quite strong in their Christianity, only to begin dropping the ball later on?

If so, what do you think could be the cause of this trend in some people?

INTO THE BIBLE

Read 1 Kings 11:9-11. What was the result of Solomon's disobedience to a command of God that seemed like a trivial rule to him?

What principles can we glean from Phil. 3:14 and Gal. 6:9?

According to Heb. 12:1-2 and 2 Tim. 4:7 and Col. 1:10-14, what sources of inspiration can we find for remaining faithful?

Read 1 Cor. 9:24-27. What does this tell us about our goal as believers?

APPLICATION

What were the consequences of poor leadership to the nation of Israel?

What was Israel supposed to be to the nations around them, and what were the consequences of Israel's disgrace?

Why do you think the themes of Humility, Thankfulness and Obedience crop up over and over again throughout scripture, and how should we respond?