



SESSION #3 TALKSHEET #5

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DATE _____

"THE SWORD AT HELL'S GATE"

We hope you are enjoying this Module! Spend at least 30 minutes responding to the questions below. **Pray God would turn your hearts toward each other (fathers and sons) and all toward Jesus.**

- **Connect:** Discuss the things you find valuable about this Malachi Man Module.
- **Discuss:** What are the main points or images you remember from the video? In your own words, what was the overall message(s) from the video? (Images: road between Hell's Gate and Hope; running track; caution tape; journaling at graveyard; story of desert wandering)
- **Action:** The video encouraged us to make time for God to speak to us personally and lead our family in a dedicated study of God's Word. Complete this form. You will never regret the time you spent in God's Word!

For Everyone:

I currently spend _____ minutes per day in a dedicated Bible study time. Today I commit to increasing that to _____ minutes per day (most days). I will do this at _____ a.m./p.m. (insert time of day – early morning is usually best).

For Fathers:

I currently spend _____ minutes per day leading my family in a dedicated, undistracted, unhurried Bible study time. Today I commit to increasing that to _____ minutes per day (most days).
I will do this at _____ a.m./p.m. (early morning is usually best).

- **Make it Stick:** In order to make your new commitment (above) a habit, **do the following:**
 - 1) Write your commitment on a post-it note and stick it to your bathroom mirror.
Include: Personal Bible Study: min./day & Family Bible Study: min./day
 - 2) Show this commitment to your wife or someone else who lives with you and ask them to hold you accountable (tell at least two friends if you live alone). If they ask why, show them Psalm 1 or Psalm 119.
 - 3) Set the same daily Bible study time as a fixed appointment and don't compromise that time slot.
 - 4) Pray daily, asking God to give you a love for Him and His Word.

(Tip: Learning how to have an effective Bible study time or leading family devotions will take time and practice. Satan will want to discourage you, but God will reward your humble, wholehearted attempts. If you want to give up or want some fresh ideas, talk to your pastor or someone who can help.)
- **Discuss:** In the video, Richard said: "Satan wants to drive your family toward Hell's hopeless gate. God wants you to lead your family to hope in Christ!" What does this mean?
- **Brainstorm:** Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9. List as many ideas as you can to practically lead your home toward Hope in Christ. Choose the top three ideas and decide which one(s) you will implement this week.

- **Discuss:** Read 2 Timothy 3:14-16. Why is it important to teach children scripture from infancy on?
- **Pray:** Close in prayer, asking God to help you prioritize your daily Bible study commitment. Ask God to help you become more like Christ. Pray for each other. Dad leads. Son pray if you want (optional).

*If you have questions, please contact your group leader or see www.malachiman.com for more resources.
Remember to bring this sheet to the next Malachi Man Session (only you will see it).*