



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Hi, Friends!

We hope this note finds you well. Attached to it, you'll find the discussion questions, coaching tip, and audio study helps for next week's lesson. It focuses on the "Parable of the Four Soils" in Luke 8:1-15. We you find the material helpful as you prepare for your next meeting.

Because of the earthquake in Haiti and the members of our congregation with loved ones there, the coaching tip this week focuses on service projects. We're already getting questions about what our church plans to do to help. You may get similar questions from your life group members. Usually there are two ways to respond to a crisis: 1) We can collect money and items to send them to provide relief, and 2) We can send a mission team to help with reconstruction. Because it just happened and there's so little information at this point, we aren't ready yet to take an offering or to send a team. But please assure your group that we are investigating the possibilities and talking to those with connections in Haiti. We'll present the options to our church family as soon as possible. In the meantime, have your group focus on prayer for Haiti and discuss in general what might be involved in doing a service project there. We'll do a little of that this coming Sunday morning. I think the icebreaker and coaching tip will help prepare you for such a discussion.

Please contact us if we can help you. In the meantime, we will continue to pray and thank the Lord for you.

Pastors Gary and Glen