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Dear Life Group Hosts,

Well, only two more lessons before we take a break from our sermon-based questions for the summer. This week Len Williams will be sharing a message is from Malachi 3:13-18. He's also done a great job of writing discussion questions with us. For those who'd like to have advance thoughts on the passage, you can listen to the message of Troy Nesbitt from Cornerstone Church. Pastor Glen will tackle the last section of Malachi the following week. After that you're on your own for the summer.

I hope you also take time to read the coaching tips I've included with this week's lesson. It has some great ideas about how to help your members get involved in better and more personal discussions. I know you'll find them useful, especially the Icebreaker activities.

Finally, let me give two suggestions to those of you who want to keep your members connected with one another this summer. First of all, if you decide to forego weekly meetings, and I always think it's a good idea to take breaks from the year-long routine, I encourage you to plan a couple fellowship activities this summer, so that people don't forget about the value of meeting together when fall begins. The second suggestion, if you decide to continue your weekly study, is to email me or give me a call, so I can provide you with materials. I have at least a dozen new interactive series (DVD and workbook) that are excellent. Many of them are short in duration – anywhere from 4 weeks to 9 weeks. Just let me know and I'll get you the list.

Thanks again for your faithful ministry this year! If you haven't given Val Robbins an update on what your group is doing – whether you're still meeting, if you plan to meet this summer, and if you plan to start again in the fall – please take a moment to let her know as soon as you can. Not only will it help us pray more effectively for you and serve you better, but it's always good to stay connected.

Grateful in Christ,

Pastors Gary and Glen