Renovate

Week 1: What Are you Building On

CCV Groups Discussion Guide

OPENING QUESTION:

What's the most challenging renovation, DIY, or building project you've ever taken on personally?

GROUPS VIDEO GUIDE

READ IT AGAIN:

Matthew 7:24-29

DISCUSS:

- What is the most difficult part of the home renovation/project process?
- Why do you think it is difficult for people to eliminate self-defeating or selfdestructive habits?
- Divide into two groups (male/female, young/mature, good looking/normal or any other division that makes sense to your group). Have the first group make a list of all things we are told to get rid of from Colossians 3:5-10. The second group will make a list from Ephesians 4:22-31.
- Report your two lists and identify what things are on both lists. Why do you think these things made it on each list?
- How do the things on these lists contribute to weakening our solid foundation?
- Share one thing you think you need to get rid of in your spiritual house and one strategy to start the process this week.

PRAYER:

Use the words of Romans 12:1-2 as a prayer asking God to help you effect the change you need in your life.

SCRIPTURES:

- Colossians 3:5–10, "Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator."
- Ephesians 4:22–31, "Put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness. Therefore, each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need. Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice."