Session 1

Key Scripture:

Isaiah 14:3, Hebrews 1:3

Opening Remarks:

We live in a society where submission is looked at as weakness. Many think that to be successful we must be our own boss, but in order to live and embrace the plans God has for us, we must be fully submitted to Him.

Watch the Session 1 Video

Discussion Questions:

- 1. In what areas of your life do you struggle with being submitted to God?
- 2. Why do you think you struggle with giving God control of these areas of your life and being completely submitted to Him?
- 3. What does healthy submission to God look like to you?

Closing Remarks:

Submission to God is the direct pathway to His favor and blessings being poured out on our lives. God is calling each of us to deeper levels of submission.

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Session 2

Key Scripture:

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

Opening Remarks:

It is our human nature to do and say things that make us feel good. Oftentimes those "good things" are in direct contradiction of the plans God has for us. May we give up our fleshly (selfish) nature in order to live abundantly in the promises of God.

Watch the Session 2 Video

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What are some un-submitted thoughts that you must give to God?
- 2. Do you feel that you make decisions based on what your heart is telling you or what the Lord is speaking to you?
- 3. How can you better submit your thoughts and actions to the Lord?

Closing Remarks:

May we purge ourselves of every deceitful thought and selfish motive. Let us align ourselves with the Word and promises of God.

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Session 3

Key Scripture:

Psalm 16:11, Luke 11:28

Opening Remarks:

Boundaries are not rules that restricting us from an enjoyable life. Godly boundaries are life giving. They open us up to being in direct connection with the blessings of God.

Watch the Session 3 Video

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What are some boundaries you need to draw in your life?
- 2. What boundaries do you often forfeit because you see them as "rules"?
- 3. Why do you view some boundaries as "rules" rather than God's protection?

Closing Remarks:

Boundaries do not take away from our life but rather they make our life abundantly filled with the blessings of God. There is blessing in being submitted to what God says is right.

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Session 4

Key Scripture:

Joshua 1:3-7

Opening Remarks:

God establishes boundaries in our lives, not to hinder our free will, but to position us for blessing. As part of our submission to God, we also submit to our pastor. God has placed your pastor in your life to keep you in alignment with the plans and blessings of God.

Watch the Session 4 Video

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Share a time our pastor helped you.
- 2. Have you given your pastor the authority to give you healthy correction and guidance?
- 3. What might be stopping you from developing a deeper relationship with your pastor?

Closing Remarks:

God speaks direction and purpose to your pastor. When we are fully submitted to our pastor, we are in direct alignment with the plans God has for our lives.

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Session 5

Key Scripture:

Romans 13:1, Hebrews 13:17

Opening Remarks:

God has placed spiritual authority in our lives to protect us. He has placed leaders in our lives to help guide and protect the anointing that He has graciously placed upon us.

Watch the Session 5 Video

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Has there ever been a situation where your spiritual leader protected you from making a certain decision?
- 2. Have there been situations where you wish you would have sought counsel from your spiritual authority?
- 3. What signs in your life (attitude or behaviors) alert you that you're struggling to submit to a leader? What are ways going forward that you can better heed the counsel of your spiritual authority?

Closing Remarks:

The devil would love nothing more than for you to reject your spiritual authority because he knows that when you are in submission with your spiritual authority, God's plan and anointing is enacted in our lives. If the devil sees the power of submission, then we must also understand the power that lies in being submitted to our leaders.

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Session 6

Key Scripture:

1 Peter 5:5, Ephesian 5:21

Opening Remarks:

Being submitted to God and to our spiritual authority is important, but the Bible also calls us to be submitted to one and another. No matter the stage of life, level of ministry, or level of success, we must be submitted to everyone in the body.

Watch the Session 6 Video

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Do you struggle with submitting yourself to the whole body of Christ?
- 2. Do you see yourself as submitted to God, your spiritual authority, and the body? Why or why not?
- 3. What are some ways you can better submit yourself to the rest of the body?

Closing Remarks:

The Bible says the body should be one and that we should work in perfect harmony. In order for the body of Christ to operate at its full God-ordained capacity, we must be fully submitted to one another. To be in full submission with God then, we must also be fully submitted to His bride, the body of Christ.

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