

Small Group Discussion Guide for Dave Sayers' Testimony - Part 2

Objective:

This guide is designed to help your group reflect on **Dave Sayers' story**, focusing on the **Essentials of Abide in Christ** and **Chase the Strays**. His testimony highlights his journey of transformation through a deepening relationship with God and his passion for pursuing those who are lost in addiction and brokenness.

Opening Prayer:

Begin with a prayer, asking God to open hearts to understand the power of abiding in Him and to give the group a heart for reaching those who feel lost and disconnected.

[Watch the Video:](#)

Watch Dave Sayers' testimony, paying attention to how abiding in Christ changed his life and how he was called to pursue others who were lost.

Discussion Questions:

Head (Understanding and Knowledge)

Abide in Christ ([John 15:4-5](#) | Abide Sphere):

Dave's transformation began when he fully surrendered to God and started abiding in Him daily.

- How did Dave's journey illustrate the difference between trying to do life on his own and fully relying on God?
- What role did daily surrender play in Dave's spiritual growth?

Read: [John 15:4-5](#)

- What does it mean to "remain" in Christ, and why is it necessary for bearing fruit?
- How can we ensure that we are daily abiding in Christ and not trying to rely on our own strength?

Chase the Strays ([Luke 15:4-7](#) | Church and World Spheres):

Dave's heart was burdened for those struggling with addiction, homelessness, and brokenness, leading him to start recovery homes and ministries.

- How did Dave's experience of being lost help him develop a heart for others who are lost?
- What can we learn from his story about God's heart for people who are struggling?

Read: [Luke 15:4-7](#)

- What does this passage reveal about God's pursuit of those who have wandered?
- Who in your life might be feeling lost, and how can you reach out to them?

Heart (Personal Transformation and Growth)

Abide in Christ ([Philippians 4:6-7](#) | Spiritual Realm Sphere):

Dave experienced peace and purpose when he committed to staying close to God through prayer and trust.

- How has abiding in Christ helped you find peace in difficult circumstances?
- What areas of your life do you struggle to surrender fully to God?

Read: [Philippians 4:6-7](#)

- How does prayer lead to God's peace in our hearts?
- What practical steps can we take to make prayer a daily habit?

Chase the Strays ([James 5:19-20](#) | Church and Home Spheres):

Dave was intentional about helping others find their way back to faith and community.

- How did Dave's testimony show the importance of community in helping people return to faith?
- How can we create a welcoming environment for those who feel disconnected from the church?

Read: [James 5:19-20](#)

- Why does Scripture emphasize bringing back those who have wandered from the truth?
- What practical steps can we take to reach out to someone who has drifted from faith?

Hands (Action and Application)

Abide in Christ ([Colossians 2:6-7](#) | Home and Church Spheres):

Dave's story demonstrates the importance of building a strong foundation in faith.

- What daily habits help you stay connected to Christ?
- How can you encourage others in your life to grow in their relationship with God?

Read: [Colossians 2:6-7](#)

- How does being "rooted" in Christ shape our faith journey?
- What is one step you can take this week to strengthen your walk with God?

Chase the Strays ([Matthew 9:36-38](#) | World Sphere):

Dave's ministry focuses on reaching people who are often overlooked—those struggling with addiction, homelessness, and past failures.

- Who in your life is disconnected from faith and needs to be pursued with love?
- How can we actively reach out to those who feel unworthy of God's grace?

Read: [Matthew 9:36-38](#)

- How does Jesus' compassion for the lost challenge us to be more intentional in our outreach?
- What actions can we take as a group to reach out to those who may feel far from God?

Practical Application:

Commit to Daily Abiding ([John 15:4-5](#)):

Challenge group members to spend intentional time in prayer and Scripture this week, focusing on deepening their relationship with Christ.

- What practice will you commit to this week to grow in abiding in Christ?

Reach Out to Someone ([James 5:19-20](#)):

Encourage each person to reach out to someone they know who may feel disconnected from faith, offering encouragement and support.

- Who can you intentionally pursue this week, demonstrating God's love and grace?

Closing Prayer:

Close with a prayer, asking God to strengthen each member's ability to abide in Him and to give them a heart for those who feel lost or disconnected.