



# KINGDOM LEARNERS

## DISARMING DARKNESS – LESSON 12

*Put it Into Practice*

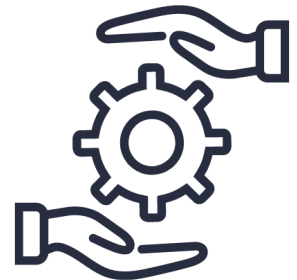


### THINGS TO PONDER

1. Why does Jesus call one a wise builder and the other a foolish builder in Matthew 7:24-27?
2. What does it mean to be a doer of the word (James 1:22)?
3. Are you ready to advance God's kingdom?

### THINGS TO PRACTICE

1. Review the course guide for each of the previous lessons. Are you ready to put these things into practice?
2. Start each day by greeting Father in prayer, then ask Him, "How can I be of service today?"
3. Don't rush. Don't try to perform your way into the Father's arms. Just acknowledge who GOD is today, and let him provide for you.

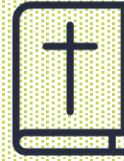


### THINGS TO PRAY



Father, we come to you today and we thank you for your flawless word that directs our steps. We pray that you would awaken in us a willing spirit to advance your kingdom here on earth. Give us courage to be kingdom workers, and not just parishioners. We pray that all the truths of this course would sink deep into our hearts and souls and would inspire us to put them into practice so we can serve you. Father, the time is growing near for your son's return, so prepare me for his arrival. Prompt me to not just hear the words of this course, but to apply them in my daily walk with you. We praise you, Father. We ask all these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

# KEY PIECES OF SCRIPTURE



**Mark 3:14-15** – He appointed twelve that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons.

**Mark 16:17-18** – And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well.”

**Matthew 10:1** – Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness

**Matthew 10:7-8** – As you go, proclaim this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

**Matthew 7:24** – Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.

**Luke 10:19-20** – I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

**Luke 10:8-9** – When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’

**Matthew 28:18-20** – Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

# KEY CONCEPTS TO KNOW



## IT'S TIME TO PUT IT ALL INTO PRACTICE

God has given us power and authority, in Christ (Matthew 28:18-20), over the rulers of darkness to drive out demons, to lay hands on the sick so they may be healed (Mark 16:17-18), to cure diseases and all kinds of illnesses (Matthew 10:1), to proclaim the kingdom of heaven so others can repent and to raise the dead (Matthew 10:7-8)

## LET'S REVIEW

<b>GOD HAS NO RIVAL</b>	Only God is All-Knowing, Ever-Present, All-Powerful, and Unchanging. We need to focus on Him in order to defeat the enemy
<b>Defeating the Devil's Playbook</b>	Our enemy comes only to steal, kill, and destroy; but Christ has come that we may have life, abundantly.
<b>Stand Against the Enemy</b>	It's important that we remain a level head when battling darkness, stay sober, be vigilant, and stand against the enemy by standing with God.
<b>Tearing Down Strongholds</b>	From birth we accumulate kingdom of darkness thinking and we store junk in our souls. We have to take the lies of the enemy to Jesus, so He can become the way, TRUTH, and life over our lives.
<b>Armor of God</b>	Who would want to go to battle with no armor? Remember to strap on the full armor of God each day, and recognize how each piece of armor is a name of Christ. We must be clothed in Christ to defeat darkness.
<b>Overcoming Temptation</b>	The enemy has the same old tricks: tempt our eyes, tempt our human desires, and tempt us with pride so we can be our own gods. For every temptation, be patient, God will provide a way out, but we must endure.
<b>Repentance of the Mind</b>	In order to be transformed into the image of Jesus, we need to work daily to renew our minds from kingdom of darkness thinking and making our thoughts agree with God's truth. Transformation takes time/practice.
<b>Repentance of the Heart</b>	A heart that is grieved is fertile soil to turn back to God. Darkness wants you to stay in barren places, in areas of famine, but God says come back to me and let's have a feast. Turn your heart to God each new day.
<b>Confess Your Sins</b>	The enemy goes day and night to God presenting his case of our unworthiness to be forgiven. When we confess our sins, we tell on ourselves. The enemy is silenced by admitting where we broke the law.
<b>Forgive One Another</b>	The debt has already been paid by Christ, so why carry it around and enforce it upon others. Let go of the offense, and the enemy will flee.
<b>Christ is Supreme</b>	Jesus Christ is the head over all rulers and authorities, even the workers of darkness. Christ dwells in us, so HIS authority is in us.

