



FINE ARTS

# deployed january week 1

## discipleship dimension: bible

### DIMENSION OBJECTIVE:

Objective: Know the need to apply biblical truths and principles to your personal life choices.



# Success-Driven or God-Lead?

## You choose please

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### scripture

“Joyful are people of integrity, who follow the instructions of the Lord. Joyful are those who obey his laws and search for him with all their hearts. They do not compromise with evil, and they walk only in his paths. You have charged us to keep your commandments carefully. Oh, that my actions would consistently reflect your decrees! Then I will not be ashamed when I compare my life with your commands. As I learn your righteous regulations, I will thank you by living as I should! I will obey your decrees. Please don’t give up on me!”

**Psalms 119:1–8**

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### discover

It was probably by participating in Fine Arts that I learned to love being successful. There’s nothing bad in that, but I took it too far. I mean even in the little things—in the way I talked, the tasks I got done, the impression people got of me, the way I dressed—I wanted to be seen as successful. But I had to learn the difference between being successful in the eyes of man and being successful in the eyes of God.

How can I do my best but keep the focus on God? What does it look like to live out God’s Word while living in the world? How can I truly be successful where it counts by pleasing God? The answer to all these questions is simple: by seeing every life choice through the lens of God’s Word, the Bible.

What is the Bible? Deuteronomy talks about it being commands, decrees, and regulations that the Lord wants to teach us. If you were ever in Junior Bible Quiz (JBQ), you know that the Bible is the inspired Word of God and His revelation to all people of Himself, and His plan of salvation. It’s a roadmap for us to follow through life.

Psalms 19:7 says, “The instructions of the Lord are perfect, reviving the soul. The decrees of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.” By looking to the Bible for how to live, our souls are revived, we become wise, our spiritual eyes are opened, our awe of the Lord lasts forever, we know truth and righteousness, and we receive great reward!

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**develop**

Psalm 119 is a beautifully written Psalm that captures and celebrates the Bible in the life of a believer. By yourself or in small groups, read back through this passage to find how many different words are used to refer to the Word of God and what attributes of God are listed. Write down the ones that stick out to you. These are meant to encourage you in difficult moments or when it feels hard to follow God.

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**deploy**

Discuss how you, personally and as a team, can do your best, practice well, and be successful, while presenting with the goal of pleasing God and living out His Word through every choice you make this Fine Arts season. Maybe it is living out the principle of the story you create through your Human Video. Or it could be studying and growing from the biblical topic of your Children's Lesson. Talk through what it looks like to live out the very stories you are creating this Fine Arts season.

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**prayer**

**Gather in small groups to pray for each other and for a successful year of Fine Arts. Ask that God would reveal His truth to you and that you can live it out for the glory of God. May there be great reward for those who follow His Word!**