



Built on the Rock: The Healthy Congregation A Webinar Bible Study Handout for Lesson 2



Use this handout to prepare for discussion questions. You'll answer them in the chat box, in small group breakout rooms, or in a poll. This handout also prepares you for looking up a few Bible passages.

Homework Assignment from last Week

Be prepared to discuss these questions in a small group breakout room:

1. Briefly introduce yourself (name and location).

Having read chapters 1 & 2 from Built on the Rock:

2. What surprises you most from these chapters?
3. What are you learning about the health of your congregation?
4. If you could change anything in your church, what would it be?



You'll have 6 minutes for this exercise.

What does conflict reveal about my heart?

Discuss these questions in the small group breakout room:

- Voter's annual fight in November...
- Head elder's "supervision" of pastor...
- The pastor's anger...

1. How have each sinned against the First Commandment?
2. Which other Commandments were broken?



You'll have 6 minutes for this exercise.

After your breakout room, be prepared to answer a few questions in the chat box.

What are examples of Idols of the heart?

- Improper desires for physical pleasure
1 John 2:15-17
- Pride and arrogance
Proverbs 8:13
- Love of money or material possessions
Hebrews 13:5
- Fear of man
Proverbs 29:25
- Good things that I want too much
James 4:1-3

Case Study: The New Sanctuary Controversy

Personal Exercise

Complete the answers for the Opposers of New Sanctuary in the seminar guide on page 12.

Homework Assignment for Next Week

Be prepared to answer questions 3, 4, and 5 in your breakout room next week.

1. Read chapters 3 and 4 from *Built on the Rock*.
2. What kind of heart idols are most tempting for you personally?
3. What kind of idols do you recognize in your congregation?
4. What difficulties have those idols led to in your congregation?
5. What brings healing to those who struggle with idolatry?