

**THE DIVINE MENTOR**  
***Growing Your Faith as You Sit at the Feet of the Savior***

**Discussion Questions Week #4 (February 17<sup>th</sup> – February 23<sup>rd</sup>)**

**Reading Assignment:**

- \_ Chapter 9 (pages 129-146 )
- \_ Exodus 1; James 1:1-18
- \_ Exodus 2; James 1:19-27
- \_ Exodus 3; James 2:1-13
- \_ Exodus 4; James 2:14-26
- \_ Exodus 5; James 3
- \_ Exodus 6; James 4
- \_ Exodus 7; James 5

**NOTE TO LEADER:** Pick from the following discussion questions those that are most helpful in facilitating discussion and promoting application for you and your group.

Chapter 9: Oak All the Way to the Core

Living a life of congruence means you are the same person regardless of the situation. A person living in congruence eats, talks, acts, and is the same independent of who he or she is with.

- Which is congruent, a solid piece of oak wood or a piece of oak plywood? Why?
- Read the following scriptures: Romans 12:2, Hebrews 4:12, Hebrews 12:1-3, James 1:25, Psalm 119:165. Does the standard for congruence matter? If you are congruent with the world's standards what will happen? If you are congruent with God's standards what will happen?
- Living a life that is congruent with God's desires results in peace. Why?
- Incongruence is being different depending on the situation. Incongruence with God's desires creates stress. Why?
- If you wish to be congruent with God's desires what must you know? What role does the Bible play in creating congruence with God's desires?
- Read Jer. 29:13-14, Luke 11:9, Acts 17:27, Mark 12:29-30. What do these passages about God's desires for you to seek and know Him? What role does reading the Bible play in knowing God and his will?
- Read Rev. 3:20. Why is Jesus knocking on the door? What must you do to let Jesus in your house?
- Read Mark 6:4-5. Why could Jesus not do any miracles in this place? What happens in your life when you do not believe and trust in the promises that God makes in the Bible?
- Read Hebrews 4:12 and Proverbs 25:4 and Isaiah 1:25. What role does the Bible play in removing dross from your life?