



## Group Time

ENCOURAGEMENT 1-on-1 (See page 48 for directions)



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### LOOK BACK:

**Point:** *If you want wisdom, ASK and DO!*

- What's God asking you to do? How will you do it?

**Question:** What do we call those people who have an opinion about everything, but do nothing?

**LOOK UP:** Watch this video from the Bible Project on Listening. Use the link on our 4G web page, search "Bible Project: Shema-Listen," or use the QR code.



**Recap:** God is not only ready to give us His wisdom, but He is also always talking to us. If this comes as a surprise, we might think it's because we can't hear Him, but it's because we're not listening. How do we know this? Because we are not doing what He is telling us to do (Remember the Francis Chan video from last week?)

James tells us to be doers of the word and not hearers only. In other words, knowledge is not power, applied knowledge is power. Knowledge and application must move hand-in-hand for one to be a mature believer. It is through this type of growth process that we see a true spiritual transformation.

### LOOK IN: Discussion

- Much of our church education – often called discipleship – now takes the form of a modern-day college education.



#### College

Weekly Lectures =  
 Classroom Teaching =  
 Lab Work / Research =  
 Quizzes, Exams, Papers =

#### Church

Sunday Preaching  
 Group Bible Studies  
 Outreach & Missions  
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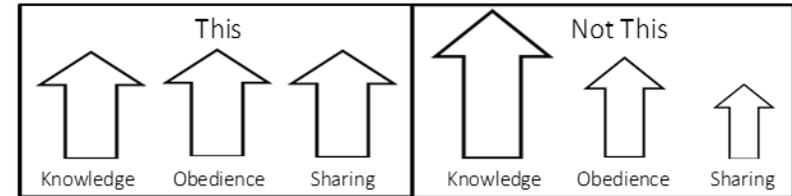
- Is it easy to be a hearer and not a doer in today's church? What could we put in place to be hearers who do (James 1:22-25)?

### LOOK FORWARD: Application

**Point:** *Doers of the word change – themselves and others.*

### Applied Knowledge Makes You Mature - Maturity Can Be Measured

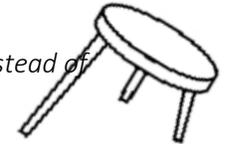
Big.Life is a CBC ministry partner that "trains believers to make disciples of Jesus, leading to disciple-making movements." One of their core values is "Knowledge should never leave obedience and sharing behind!"



Discipleship is like a three-legged stool. If one leg is longer than the others, the stool falls over.

*"We gain understanding through our obedience, instead of trying to understand before being obedient."*

- Big.Life leaders in Pakistan



### Measure Your Maturity – Draw your arrow for each.

- 10
- 9
- 8
- 7
- 6
- 5
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1

Knowledge

Obedience

Sharing

What do you need to work on (change) to level-out your arrows?

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