

# **COLLAPSE**

**WES MOORE**

## **CHAPTER 12: Preparing for and prospering through the collapse**

### **Group Study Leader Guide**

#### **General Instructions:**

- Have the students read the book chapter before meeting to discuss its principles.
- There is no handout for group members. Use the group study questions at the end of each chapter in the book as the basis for the discussion.
- The section below provides the location of answers (page and paragraph in the book), the answers themselves (in brief), and the goal of each question.

#### **Chapter 12 Group Study Questions Discussion Key**

1. What does God promise to do in the darkest times (like times of famine, violence, and war) for his faithful people? What verses teach this promise?
  - a. Answer location: Page 138, paragraph 2 through page 139, paragraph 4.
  - b. Answer in brief: To protect and provide for his people, even giving them excess in times of poverty and famine.
  - c. Goal of the question: To give the student hope during the collapse.
2. How can you make others aware of America's financial situation before it is too late?
  - a. Answer location: Page 139, paragraph 5 through page 140, paragraph 1.
  - b. Answer in brief: Try to inform those around you of the things you have learned about America's financial and economic situation. Share this book with fellow Christians and your pastor. If you are a teacher in the church, use it as a basis for a Sunday school, Bible study, or sermon series. (For teaching resources related to this book, visit [www.wesmoorenow.com](http://www.wesmoorenow.com).) Hand out this book at Christian gatherings, conventions, and events. Make the national debt the most important issue in your political activity.
  - c. Goal of the question: To give the student direction for spreading the message of the potential collapse in hopes it can be avoided.
3. What role does prayer have in preparing for the collapse?
  - a. Answer location: Page 140, paragraph 4 through the end of page 141.
  - b. Answer in brief: Prayer is critical to preparing for and surviving the collapse. We should pray that God would show mercy to our nation, bring repentance, and prevent the collapse; that he would grant us incredible wisdom so that we might prepare for the collapse; and that if he wills the collapse, his perfect wrath, justice,

and holiness be made known.

- c. Goal of the question: To instruct the student on the types of prayers to offer regarding the collapse.
4. Describe some of the individual preparations reviewed in this chapter. Which do you think will be the hardest to do? What strategies can we use to accomplish it anyway?
  - a. Answer location: Page 142, paragraph 2 through page 143, paragraph 3.
  - b. Answer in brief: Individual preparations should include getting out of debt, building up cash, storing food and supplies, buying property for an emergency location, and developing an emergency plan for your family, The second and third parts of the question are subjective, so there is no right or wrong answer for them
  - c. Goal of the question: To give the student direction on how to prepare individually for the collapse.
5. What ministry does the chapter recommend for learning how to get out of debt? Had you heard of this ministry before? Explain your experience with it, if any.
  - a. Answer location: Page 142, paragraph 3.
  - b. Answer in brief: Dave Ramsey's ministry is recommended. The second and third parts of the question are subjective, so there is no right or wrong answer for them
  - c. Goal of the question: To give students a place to go for advice regarding getting out of debt.
6. How do the recommendations for church preparedness compare to those for individuals? Are there ones that are the same? Which?
  - a. Answer location: Page 143, paragraph 4 through page 144, paragraph 1.
  - b. Answer in brief: The preparations for churches are the same as individuals, except for one recommendation. It is recommended that churches coordinate with other churches to share resources and skills.
  - c. Goal of the question: To give the student direction on how churches can prepare for the collapse.
7. Explain how churches should band together to support one another during and after the collapse. Is this important? Why or why not?
  - a. Answer location: Page 144, paragraph 1.
  - b. Answer in brief: Church leaders should meet to discuss how they can coordinate activities, share services and skills, and provide protection for the resources they have amassed. Plans of action should also be drawn up. Exactly what will the churches do if the economy falls apart? What are the exact steps they would take to provide for their members? The second and third parts of the question are subjective, so there is no right or wrong answer for them.
  - c. Goal of the question: To cause the student to think through how important other

churches will be to surviving and prospering through the collapse.

8. What good can come to us through an event as devastating as the collapse?
  - a. Answer location: Page 144, paragraph 3 through page 145, paragraph 2.
  - b. Answer in brief: We will be freed from our materialism, life will be simpler and more satisfying, God will be the center of our hopes and dreams, and the gospel may spread like wildfire again.
  - c. Goal of the question: To get the student to think about the spiritual good that could come through the collapse.
9. How could the collapse make it possible for the gospel to spread like wildfire in the nation?
  - a. Answer location: Page 145, paragraph 2.
  - b. Answer in brief: People's hearts may be opened like never before as their idols are taken away and their arrogance destroyed.
  - c. Goal of the question: To cause the student to consider how the gospel may advance during and after the collapse.
10. Do you think the faith of many will fail following the collapse? Why or why not? Will your faith fail? How can you prevent this from happening?
  - a. Answer location: This is not discussed directly in the book.
  - b. Answer in brief: Use the teachings of this chapter and chapter 10 (the collapse) to cause students to think about how their faith will be tested through an event like this.
  - c. Goal of the question: To cause the student to build their own faith so they will not abandon the Christ during or after the collapse.