



1. What do you think of when you hear the word “provision”? In our culture, who do we see providing for us? (*Parents, children, neighbours, Government, charities. ourselves*) What is the attitude of many people today when it comes to their needs? How has this changed over time?

BASIC NEEDS	
1921	2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food • Water • Clothing • Shelter • Access to radio & newspapers • Transportation (local) • Access to local doctor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food • Water • Clothing • Shelter • Access to TV, radio & newspapers • Access to Internet • In-home electricity • Transportation (local, regional, national) • Access to credit • Preventative healthcare • Modern waste management

2. “We won’t know God as Provider until we first have need.” Why is this a hard truth to accept? Share times when you have faced a need that you could not meet in your own strength. How did this feel? How did God provide for you?
3. Read James 1:2-4. What is challenging in these verses? How have you been tested? What lessons have you learnt?
4. “*God loves giving from his hand as long as he knows we are really after his heart.*” - Tony Evans. How can we live this out in our own lives and in the choices we make?
5. Jim gave us a list of a few of the things God provides for us. What are the challenges in waiting on God and his timing? What would you say you are in need of today?
6. Jireh comes from the word meaning “to see”. How should this affect our confidence and trust? Do you have fears for the future? (This may be financial, failing health, loneliness, unemployment etc) Ask God to give you the faith to put your life wholly in his hand.
7. Spend time praying for each other and encouraging one another.