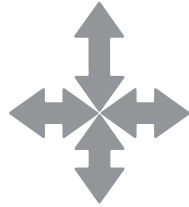




GUIDE FOR GROUP STUDY: the week of February 3rd

This study is designed to help your community group grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. There are three dimensions to following Jesus.



UP: growing in relationship with God

IN: growing in relationship with other followers of Jesus

OUT: growing in relationship with the world around us as we join God in God's mission

Get Started:

Some people have a "life verse" or a passage from the Bible which is especially significant to them. Are there any portions of scripture which have been important to you throughout your life?



UP: Connect with God through Spending Time in His Word

Read aloud the passages for the week: Luke 4:1-15. Allow a few moments to silently reflect on what you heard. Underline or note words or phrases that seem meaningful.

1. What observations do you have about how Jesus uses scripture in this passage? (vv. 4, 8, 12)
2. How does the devil use scripture? (vv. 9-11)
3. When have you seen the Bible misused?
4. What role does the Bible play in your life? Is it an encouragement? A rule book? A defense? A weapon? Absent?
5. We grow in knowledge of God as we devote ourselves to the Scriptures. How has your own reading of the Bible influenced your understanding of God throughout your faith journey?
6. Describe a time when God's word sustained you in the midst of trial.
7. Moving forward, how can you hide scripture in your heart so that you are equipped in times of trial?



Out: : Connect with the World Around Us (Join God in His Mission)

Consider your conversations with non-Christians. What role does Bible have? What role do you think scripture should play in these conversations?



IN: Connect with Each Other

One of our goals as Life Groups is to “trust one another enough to apply scripture to each other’s lives.” Take a few minutes to discuss what this could look like within your group.