

This is the Word of the Lord Week 2

Message Based Curriculum

Opening

- Begin with a brief welcome and prayer to set the tone for the group time.
- Re-Introduce the theme: Biblical literacy is the ability to know the Scriptures and the God who inspired them, and to rightly interpret and apply its meaning to our lives in ways that shape us into the image of Jesus.

Recap & Accountability

1. How did your Bible reading go this past week?

- What did you read?
- What questions did you have? What did you learn? What stood out to you?

2. Following the first two weeks of this series, how has your view of the Bible changed?

- Have you ever recognized the Bible as one long, continuous story before? How does this view of the Bible help it come alive more than just a bunch of random, disconnected stories?

3. Do you tend to gravitate to one part of the Bible over others?

- For example, a lot of people tend to focus on the New Testament more than the Old. Or they spend more times in the Epistles because it feels more “practical”.
- What might an “unbalanced diet” of the Word lead to?

Time in the Word:

4. Read **Psalm 1** as a group.

- What is the description of the person who delights in the Word of the Lord?
- What does it mean to “delight” in the Word of the Lord?
- Thinking of this verse, what would look different in your life with or without the Bible?
 1. If you’re a person who does spend a lot of time in your Bible, what would be different if you didn’t?
 2. If you’re a person who does NOT spend a lot of time in your Bible, what might be different if you did?

Biblical Literacy Tool for the Week

Each week, we will give you one tool for growing in Biblical Literacy. This week, you can watch and discuss this video from The Bible Project together: **The Bible Project: Writing Styles of the Bible and Why They’re Important? (YouTube) [5:27]**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oUXJ8Owes8E&list=PLH0Szn1yYNedn4FbBMMtOIGN-BPLQ54IH&index=4>



Closing

- Spend a brief time discussing the video and anything that may have stood out to you or your group.
- Close out with a time of prayer requests and plans for continued accountability in Scripture reading. Remind the group that we'll check in with each other about their progress next week.

Note to the small group leader from Ayren:

Hey! I have taken over the responsibility of writing the small group guides for our church. I hope it has been useful and practical for your group. As the small group leader, I value your feedback. Please send any thoughts, encouragements, or suggestions to ayren@gethope.net