

# HOME studyguide

## WHO IS THIS FOR?

This home study guide is designed to be a launching point and aid to your personal and/or family study of the Bible. It is for all those who want to dig deeper into the Word and who wish to grow in their ability to lead others in Spiritual development.

## WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE? (a general guideline)

### WITH OTHERS:

**ROUTINE:** Set a routine time to gather around the Word.

EXAMPLE: bedtime, or around the breakfast table.

**READ:** Pick a book of the Bible and read through a section of it each time you meet.

**REFLECT:** Share insights with each other on the passage and it's personal application.

**ENCOURAGE:** Encourage one another by listening, sharing and being open and honest.

**PRAY:** Share prayer requests and if possible pray out loud for each other.

EXAMPLE: ask each other, "How can I pray for you?" and then do that.

### PERSONAL STUDY:

**ROUTINE:** Set aside a routine daily time to read, study and pray.

EXAMPLE: morning coffee time, lunch break, or the hour before bedtime.

**READ:** Pick a book of the Bible and read through a section of it each time.

**PROCESS:** Use the 4 question method to dig deeper into the passage

1- What is this passage about? (identify people, places, action)

2- Where do I see Jesus in this passage?

3- What do I learn from this passage?

4- How can I apply what I've learned?

**JOURNAL:** Reread slowly, reflect, pray and then write down your thoughts.

**PRAY:** Spend time in silent meditative prayer with the Bible and your journal in hand.

## Helpful Hints

~ Use the Street Sheet as a guide and track along with the Sunday teachings.  
Find those under the "study it" button on individual teaching pages.

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~ When working with kids sometimes paraphrasing is needed. Ask questions in their language but don't be afraid to read from the Bible with them. You might be surprised how much they follow.

~ Each time you meet start with a review of what you read and learned last time.

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