

Discovering Faith Bible Study

Passage	Basic Idea to Discover	✓
Genesis 1:1-25	There is a God and He created the world.	
Genesis 2:4-25	God created man and woman.	
Genesis 3:1-13	Man and woman disobeyed God.	
Genesis 3:14-24	God judged disobedience.	
Genesis 6:5-8	There are consequences for disobedience.	
Genesis 6:9-8:14	God used a flood to destroy humanity and only saved Noah and his family.	
Genesis 8:15-9:17	God promised not to destroy humanity with a flood again.	
Genesis 12:1-8; 15:1-6; 17:1-7	God promised to be with Abram.	
Genesis 22:1-19	God tested Abraham's faith.	
Exodus 12:1-28	God demonstrated his desire and power to protect his people.	
Exodus 20:1-21	God gave his commandments to His people.	
Leviticus 4:1-35	God required offerings for the sins of His people.	
Isaiah 53	The sufferings of the servant of God.	
Luke 1:26-38; 2:1-20	Jesus was born according to prophecy.	
Matthew 3; John 1:29-34	John testified that Jesus is the promised Son of God.	
Matthew 4:1-11	The Devil tempted Jesus.	
John 3:1-21	Jesus is God's only Son, sent to save the world.	
John 4:1-26, 39-42	Jesus is the promised Messiah.	
Luke 5:17-26	Jesus has authority to forgive sins and heal.	
Mark 4:35-41	Jesus has authority over the wind and sea.	
Mark 5:1-20	Jesus has authority over evil spirits.	
John 11:1-44	Jesus has authority over death.	
Matthew 26:17-30	Jesus knew Judas would betray him. Jesus made a promise to his disciples.	
John 18:1- 19:16	Jesus is betrayed like he predicted and was falsely accused.	
Luke 23:32-56	Jesus died according to prophecy.	
Luke 24:1-35	Jesus is resurrected according to prophecy.	
Luke 24:36-53	Jesus died and came back to life to fulfill prophecy and for forgiveness of sins.	
John 5:16-30	Anyone who trusts in Jesus can have eternal life.	

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1. Go around the room and ask each person to share what they are thankful for and what has caused them stress this week. This will become their prayer requests and praise reports for the week. Then, pray over the requests and for your time during the study. Be aware and sensitive that you may have some in your group that might not be ready or open to praying in the beginning.
2. After prayer, ask the group what they have discovered since the last time they met in regards to the scripture they studied the previous week. Ask if they shared their discovery with anyone.
3. Read the passage:
 - a. Have someone from the group read the passage of scripture out loud slowly while everyone follows along in their Bible.
 - b. Have someone else re-read the same passage from a different version of the Bible.
 - c. Ask someone from the group to retell the passage in their own words. After the retelling of the passage, ask the group to fill-in or correct any part that the retelling might have missed.
4. Ask these questions for discovery:
 - What happened in this passage?
 - What does this passage tell us about God?
 - What does this passage tell us about ourselves and others?

Your job as the facilitator is to help the people within your group discover who God is and what faith is about, by asking and re-asking these questions in different ways to help the group discover the biblical truths from the scripture.

5. There are two cautions and temptations to be aware of. First, be sure to allow your group to discover God and faith within the passage you are reading. While it is tempting, be cautious about going to additional scriptures. Try to stay with the passage you are looking at and discover the truth(s) there. Searching other scriptures has a place, but in this type of study, it actually reduces the effectiveness of the discovery focus. Second, trust the discovery system and as a leader, don't be tempted to teach.
6. After answering the discovery questions, we come to the practical application part by completing this statement: **"If this passage is true, I will live differently by _____."**
7. Ask each group member to identify someone they might be able to share what they discovered in the study today with. Encourage them to share it during the next week.
8. Close your group in prayer.