

Social time – meet and greet each other

Video – watch Mark's short video to get everyone in tune with the core teaching for the week

Memory verse – can everyone recite the core (memory) verse this week? (2 Tim.3:16-17)

Starter questions – pick one or two

- 1. What stood out to you as you read about Scripture in this lesson?
- 2. Have you ever read the Bible all the way through from beginning to end? How did it go?
- 3. What's the greatest barrier that gets in your way of regularly engaging with the Bible?

Key Passages to Help Us Understand the Core

- 1. Mark 4:35-5:43 Using the two questions (pp.345) Mark suggested to evaluate this passage, what stood out to you most and how can you live that out?
- 2. Ps.119:11; Heb.4:12; James 1:22. What did the Holy Spirit reveal to you as you meditated on these verses this week? Did God challenge you through any of them?

Group Discussion – don't try to do them all Pick the ones best suited to your group

- 1. Share one book of the Bible that has had the biggest impact on you, and why it has.
- 2. Share one book/section of the Bible you think you'd gain from by reading more. Why?
- 3. Share with the group any tips you've found to be helpful for reading the Bible.
- 4. Is memorization a part of your personal development plan (Ps.119:11)? Why or why not?
- 5. Share a time when a verse you've memorized came to the rescue for you.

Application for the Week

- 1. The Day 5 challenge (pp.347) was to have a regular and meaningful time with the Bible. Did you complete these steps? How has it been going? Which of Mark's tips might be your next action step?
- 2. If you're a beginner or never had a strong beginning or are helping a beginner, Mark's suggestion (pp.344) makes for an excellent initial plan; read the following books in order:
 - a. Genesis the beginning of everything, including God's relationship with man;
 - b. John the life and ministry of Jesus, God-in-the-flesh Who came to earth;
 - c. Acts the foundation and expansion of The Church (around AD 30-62);
 - d. Romans one of the most profound writings about the person of Jesus Christ, the role that God's Spirit plays in our life, and how to live a life that honours God.
- 3. What do you think your life and relationship with God look like a year from now if you engaged with the Bible at least 4 days a week like this?
- 4. **PRAY** ask God to help everyone in the group live out this lesson in their life.

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