

Discovery Bible Study

This is a simple, yet powerful tool to help people in your circle of influence to discover and deepen their understanding of the Gospel. The idea is that you choose one of the four gospels and then do a simple Bible study with seven of the most evangelistic stories from that gospel. These stories have been selected because they are easy to understand and are a great starting place for people who have never studied the Bible.

How to Start a “Discovery” Bible Study

1. Live on mission in your sphere of influence.

As you invest in people and share the Gospel, determine if someone is ready to investigate the Bible and begin a Bible study.

2. Pick a strategic time and place to meet.

Meet in a comfortable place and at a good time for them. Sacrifice your own comfort to get on their turf. Your friend’s home may be the ideal place and they may want to invite family members or friends, but a neutral place in the community is good too!

3. Remind people about the meeting.

Continue to remind people about every meeting! Also, regularly remind people to invite friends!

4. Be prepared for each meeting.

Make sure everyone has a Bible app with the same translation or bring Bibles. Choose which passage you will study ahead of time.

5. Meet!

Here is a simple method of Bible study to use:

- 1) **Review** the last week.
- 2) **Read** the passage out loud.
- 3) **Re-read** it silently.
- 4) **Reflect** with simple questions. (Here are some questions to use: *What can we discover from this passage? Is there a truth about God or Jesus, an example to follow or avoid, or a command to obey? What are some ways this passage can apply to our lives?*)
- 5) **Respond** with personal applications. (Have everyone make an “I will” statement.)
- 6) **Request.** Ask for prayer requests and then pray.