

: group format: discovery bible study

DIRECTIONS: Leaders, use the format provided below to guide your Small Group time. Encourage your group members to use the personal study sheet during the week, so they come prepared for discussion.

GETTING STARTED (10 MINS)

- Share a high or low from the week. Be brief, so everyone can share.
- **Retell** the story from the previous meeting. Ask, "Did anyone....." (foster accountability)
 - Do something different because of that story?
 - Who did you tell, and what was their reaction?

WORD (30 MINUTES)

DIRECTIONS: Follow the steps below. In addition, you can supplement with some of the questions from the personal study sheet.

- 1. **Read passage & retell:** One person reads; someone else retells. Others fill in what was missing.
- 2. Read & look: Reread the passage and discuss what it says about people/us, and our natural, worldly tendencies.
- 3. **Read & look again:** Read the passage once more and discuss what the passage says about **God, Jesus, His plan, and His leadership example.**

* RESPOND (10 MINUTES)

- According to this study, what am I doing well? What do I need to change?
- Who needs to hear this story, and how can I tell them? Who can I invite to study the Bible and/or church?
- Refer to the personal study sheet for 2 additional application questions.

WORSHIP (10 MINUTES)

Invite someone in your group to read the provided Psalm. Use the words in a time of worshipping God for who He is.

PRAYER (10-15 MINUTES)

Suggested: For a more intimate, personal prayer time, consider subgrouping. Divide into smaller groups and/or groups of men/women. Use the provided Psalm and prompt to pray.