



DISCOVERY BIBLE METHOD

Making Bible Study Mission-Minded

Heb 4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.¹³ Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

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LEADER PREPARATION

- Study the passage for yourself.
- Dissect the passage in advance and “chunk” the thoughts.
- Pray that God would reveal himself in your group.



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The Tone &
Tenor of a
Minister
2 Pet 1:12-15
Prov 27:17

Rom 15:14 And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another. 15 Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more boldly unto you in some sort, as putting you in mind, because of the grace that is given to me of God,

16 That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost. 17 I have therefore whereof I may glory through Jesus Christ in those things which pertain to God. 18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed, 19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ. 20 Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where

Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man's foundation: 21 But as it is written, To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see: and they that have not heard shall understand.

A Minister
Has a Message
Isa 55:11
1 Joh 5:6

A Minister
Has a Method
2 Cor 10:16
1 Cor 3:9-15

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- The group reads one verse per person going around the group until the whole passage has been read.

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- Encourage people to participate immediately.

Eph 4:29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.



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- Activate the application by praying.



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BIBLE STUDIES ARE ONLY EVANGELICAL IF...

- **WE WANT THEM TO BE (PRAYER)**
- **WE INVITE THE LOST**
- **WE OPEN THE WORD OF GOD**
- **WE EXPRESS CHRIST'S LOVE**