

FIRST EDITION • BOOK 01

DISCOVER JESUS



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HOW TO USE DISCOVER JESUS WITH THOSE INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE

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introduction

People's stories matter. They reveal who they are, what is important to them, what gives them life, joy, purpose and what causes them pain, despair and discontent. As we take time to hear people's stories and get to know them, we also allow space and time for us to share our story with them.

For followers of Jesus, our story has been forever changed by Him, so it is only natural that important values and motivations are also shared. As you share your story, people may express interest and want to know more about your faith and more about Jesus.

You can just simply ask them if they would be interested in reading about Jesus in the bible with you.

If they are interested here is a simple way of doing it:

- Plan a time and place to meet regularly, preferably somewhere where there are few distractions, somewhere that is comfortable.

- Ask if there is anyone else they know, who may be interested in joining you.
- If it is appropriate and helpful, you could invite friends from your Life Group to join you
- Ask if they would like to know how to download the You Bible app, or would they prefer a hard copy of the Bible.
- If they would like to use the app, show them how to download and use it.
- If they want a hard copy of the Bible you can ask them whether you could purchase one for them or they might like to buy their own.
- Suggest a version of the Bible that is appropriate for them. ESV, NIV, NLT, or "Easy" by Wycliffe are helpful for those with English as a second language and or who do not find reading easy.
- If they show interest in reading the Bible between your meetings, suggest a Reading Plan. See Reading Plans in this booklet
- Encourage them to write down, text, or call you with any questions or things they want to discuss or find difficult to understand.

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A simple pattern

We follow a simple 4 step pattern when we meet with people to read about Jesus in the Bible. The pattern is designed to help you build a relationship with them as they begin to discover Jesus for themselves. The same pattern is used in the way we do Life Groups.

PART	FACILITATOR GUIDE:
1. CELEBRATE SHARE STORIES OF GODS GOODNESS IN YOUR LIFE.	CHOOSE FROM SOME OF THESE QUESTIONS SHARE YOUR STORIES TOO: <i>"WHAT WAS THE BEST THING THAT HAPPENED SINCE WE LAST MET?"</i> <i>"HAVE YOU LEARNED SOMETHING ABOUT GOD THAT TOUCHED YOUR LIFE THIS WEEK?"</i> <i>"WERE YOU ABLE TO APPLY ANYTHING FROM WHAT WE HAVE BEEN READING?"</i> <i>"DID YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THIS WITH SOMEONE?"</i>
2. DISCOVER READ, DISCOVER AND APPLY.	CHOOSE A READING PLAN THAT YOU THINK MIGHT BE HELPFUL. EACH WEEK ASK. <i>"WAS THERE SOMETHING YOU READ DURING THE WEEK THAT STOOD OUT TO YOU? WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ AND DISCUSS IT? "</i> IF NOT, THEN CHOOSE THE NEXT PASSAGE FROM THE READING PLAN YOU HAVE CHOSEN. USE THE DISCOVER AND APPLY QUESTIONS DISCOVER <ul style="list-style-type: none">· WHAT IS THE BIG IDEA/S IN THE PASSAGE?· WHAT DOES IT SAY ABOUT GOD?· WHAT DOES IT SAY ABOUT US?· WHAT PART/S OF THE PASSAGE STANDS OUT TO YOU? APPLY <ul style="list-style-type: none">· WHAT IS YOUR TAKEAWAY?· HOW COULD YOU PUT THAT INTO PRACTICE THIS WEEK?

3. PRAYER & CARE

LOVE, CARE, SHARE,
PRAY, USE YOUR GIFTS

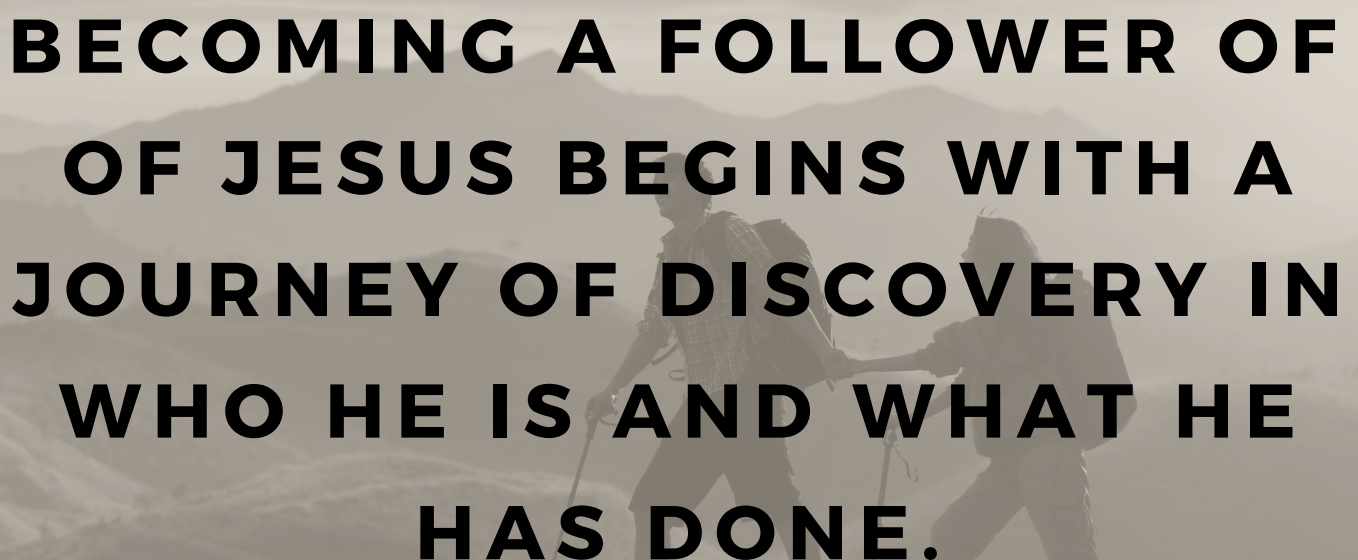
- *IS THERE SOMETHING I CAN PRAY FOR YOU?*
- *IS THERE ANY AREA IN YOUR LIFE THAT YOU WOULD NEED A BREAKTHROUGH IN?*
- *WOULD YOU BE COMFORTABLE PRAYING FOR ME ABOUT (...)?*

BY PRAYING FOR THEM AND INVITING THEM TO PRAY FOR YOU, YOU ARE REINFORCING THAT THEY CAN SPEAK TO GOD AND THAT GOD HEARS THEM AS WELL.

4. ACTIVATE

REMIND THEM TO:

- TRY TO PUT WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED INTO PRACTICE
- SHARE WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED WITH SOMEONE BEFORE YOU MEET AGAIN
- READ MORE OF THE BIBLE BETWEEN NOW AND WHEN YOU MEET AGAIN
- ENCOURAGE THEM TO CONTACT YOU WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR WRITE THEM DOWN SO YOU CAN DISCUSS NEXT TIME YOU MEET



**BECOMING A FOLLOWER OF
OF JESUS BEGINS WITH A
JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY IN
WHO HE IS AND WHAT HE
HAS DONE.**



**THEME: THE BOOK
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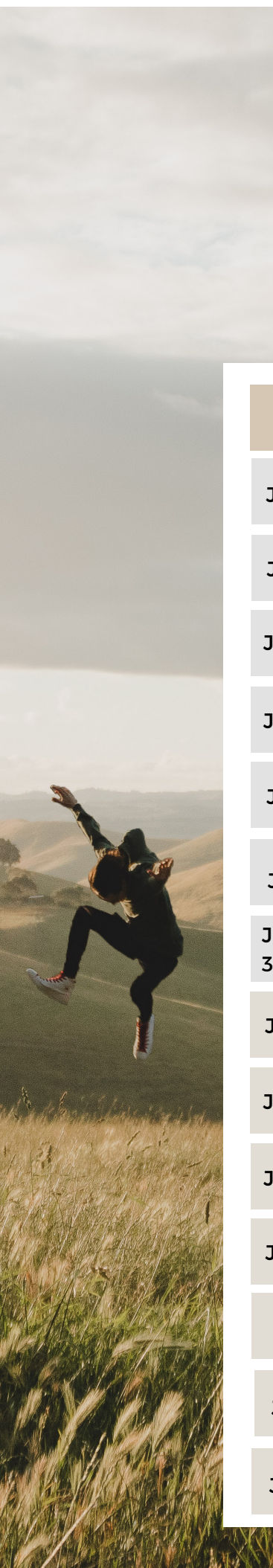
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APPLY

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PASSAGES	HEADING	COMPLETED
JOHN 1:1-18	THE WORD OF GOD	
JOHN 1:19-28	JOHN THE BAPTIST	
JOHN 1:29-34	JESUS IS BAPTISED BY JOHN	
JOHN 1:35-51	ANDREW, SIMON, PHILIP AND NATHANIEL BEGIN TO FOLLOW	
JOHN 2:1-12	WATER INTO WINE	
JOHN 2:13-22	CLEARING THE TEMPLE	
JOHN 2:23 - 3:1-8	MANY BELIEVE, NICODEMUS VISITS JESUS	
JOHN 3:9-17	GOD LOVED THE WORLD	
JOHN 3:18-21	GOD'S LIGHT CAME INTO THE WORLD	
JOHN 3:22-30	HE MUST BECOME GREATER; I MUST BECOME LESS	
JOHN 3:31-36	ANYONE WHO BELIEVES IN GOD'S SON HAS ETERNAL LIFE	
JOHN 4:1-14	LIVING WATER	
JOHN 4:15-30	WORSHIP IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH	
JOHN 4:31-42	JESUS WITNESSES TO THE DISCIPLES	



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JOHN 4:43-54	JESUS HEALS AN OFFICIAL'S SON	
JOHN 5:1-15	JESUS HEALS A LAME MAN	
JOHN 5:16-23	THE SON CAN DO NOTHING BY HIMSELF	
JOHN 5:24-30	THOSE WHO LISTEN WILL LIVE	
JOHN 5:31-47	TESTIMONIES ABOUT JESUS	
JOHN 6:1-15	JESUS FEEDS 5000	
JOHN 6:16-21	JESUS WALKS ON WATER	
JOHN 6:22-34	TRUE BREAD FROM HEAVEN	
JOHN 6:35-40	I HAVE COME TO DO THE FATHER'S WILL	
JOHN 6:41-51	ANYONE WHO EATS THIS BREAD WILL LIVE FOREVER	
JOHN 6:52-59	ANYONE WHO FEEDS ON ME WILL LIVE	
JOHN 6:60-71	YOU HAVE THE WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE	
JOHN 7:1-15	HOW DOES HE KNOW SO MUCH WITHOUT ANY TRAINING	
JOHN 7:16-24	THOSE WHO SEEK TO HONOUR THE SENDING ONE, SPEAK TRUTH	

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JOHN 7:25-36	I KNOW HIM BECAUSE I COME FROM HIM	
JOHN 7:37-52	ANYONE WHO IS THIRSTY, COME TO ME	
JOHN 8:1-11	WOMAN CAUGHT IN ADULTERY	
JOHN 8:12-20	JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD	
JOHN 8:21-30	WHEN YOU PUT ME ON THE CROSS, YOU WILL UNDERSTAND I AM	
JOHN 8:31-47	THOSE WHO BELONG TO GOD, LISTEN TO THE WORDS OF GOD	
JOHN 8:48-59	ANYONE WHO OBEYS MY TEACHING WILL NEVER DIE	
JOHN 9:1-34	HEALING OF A BLIND MAN	
JOHN 9:35-41	SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS	
JOHN 10:1-21	THE GOOD SHEPHERD	
JOHN 10:22-42	THE FATHER SET ME APART AND SENT ME INTO THE WORLD	
JOHN 11:1-15	IT HAPPENED FOR THE GLORY OF GOD	
JOHN 11:16-44	I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE	
JOHN 11:45-57	PLOT TO KILL JESUS	

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JOHN 12:1-10	JESUS ANOINTED AT BETHANY	
JOHN 12:11-19	JESUS' TRIUMPHANT ENTRY	
JOHN 12:20-36	WHEN I AM LIFTED UP, I WILL DRAW EVERYONE TO ME	
JOHN 12:37-50	I AM LIGHT IN THE DARK WORLD	
JOHN 13:1-17	JESUS WASHES HIS DISCIPLE'S FEET	
JOHN 13:18-30	JESUS PREDICTS HIS BETRAYER	
JOHN 13:31-38	JESUS PREDICTS PETERS DENIAL	
JOHN 14:1-11	I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE	
JOHN 14:12-31	I WILL SEND THE HOLY SPIRIT	
JOHN 15:1-8	I AM THE TRUE VINE	
JOHN 15:9-17	GO AND PRODUCE LASTING FRUIT	
JOHN 15:18-25	IF THEY HATE ME, THEY WILL HATE YOU	
JOHN 15:26-16:15	THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH	
JOHN 16:16-33	I WILL LEAVE THE WORLD AND RETURN TO THE FATHER	

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JOHN 17:1-8	ETERNAL LIFE IS TO KNOW THE ONLY TRUE GOD, JESUS CHRIST	
JOHN 17:9-12	PROTECT THEM BY THE POWER OF YOUR NAME	
JOHN 17:13-19	AS YOU SENT ME, SO I SEND THEM	
JOHN 17:20-26	THAT THEY WILL BE ONE, AS WE ARE ONE	
JOHN 18:1-11	I AM HE - JESUS IS ARRESTED	
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JOHN 18:25-40	PETER 2ND AND 3RD DENIAL, BEFORE PILATE	
JOHN 19:1-16	JESUS SENTENCED TO DEATH	
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JOHN 19:28-42	DEATH AND BURIAL OF JESUS	
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GENESIS 3:14-24	GOD FULFILLS HIS WORD TO ALLOW DEATH TO COME	
GENESIS 6:5-8	GOD REGRETS HIS CREATION	
GENESIS 6:9 - 8:14	GOD SAVES NOAH AND HIS FAMILY	
GENESIS 8:15 - 9:17	GOD'S COVENANT WITH NOAH	
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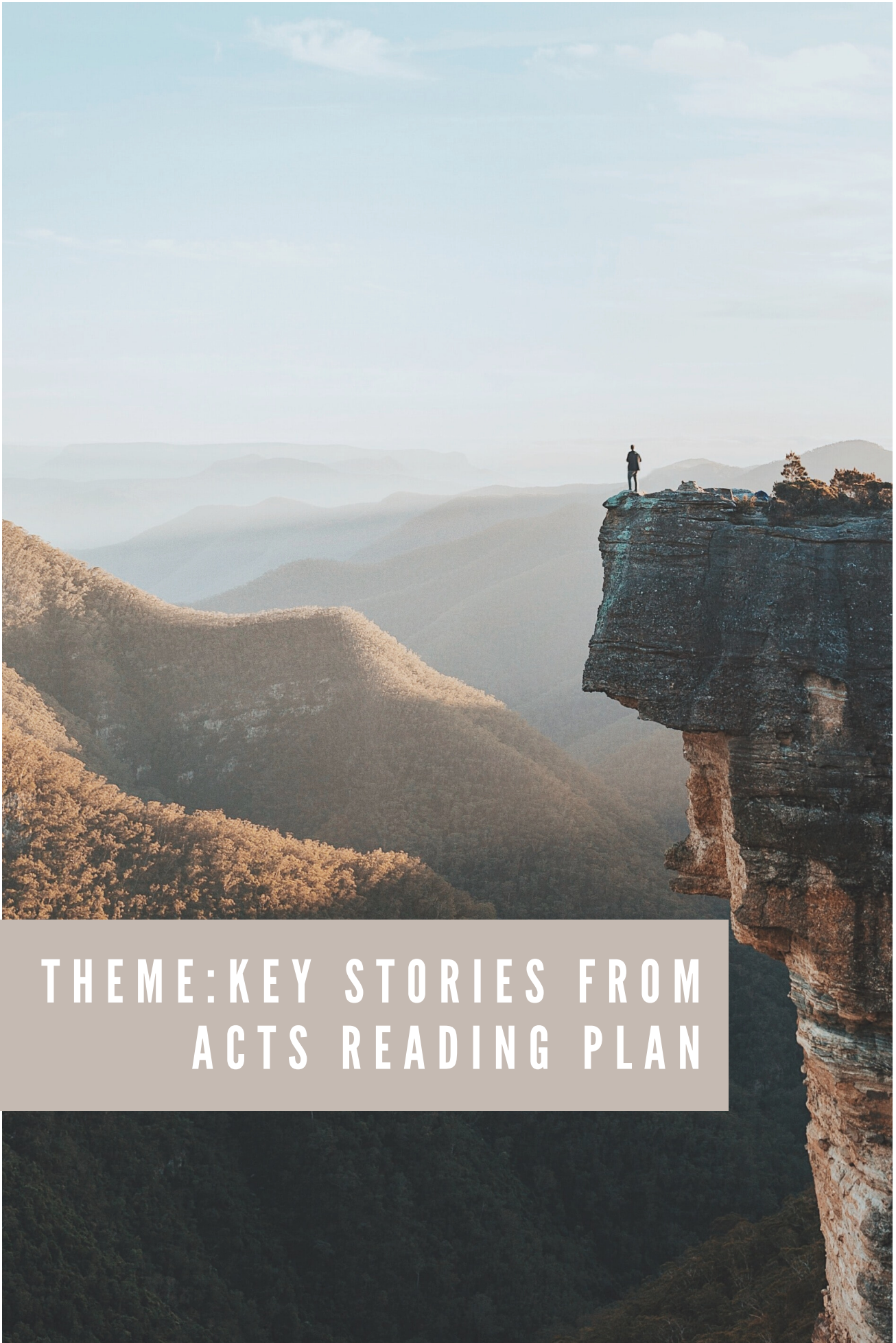
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ACTS 2:22-41	REPENT, BELIEVE, BE BAPTISED	
JOHN 3:1-21	NEW LIFE - WHO AM I	
ACTS 10:34-48; JOHN 14:26	HOLY SPIRIT - PRESENCE AND POWER	
EPHESIANS 4:17-32	PUT OFF THE OLD WAY OF LIVING	
MATTHEW 18:21-35; LUKE 19:1-10; EPHESIANS 4:31-32	FORGIVE AND MAKE THINGS RIGHT	
MATTHEW 15:1-42	KEEP CLEAN FROM SIN	

PASSAGES	HEADING	COMPLETED
MATTHEW 22:34-40; JOHN 13:34-35	THE TWO GREATS: LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE	
MATTHEW 7:24-27; DEUTERONOMY 6:4-9	USING THE BIBLE DAILY	
MATTHEW 6:5-15; MATTHEW 7:7-11	PRAYER	
ACTS 2:42-47	DOING LIFE TOGETHER	
LUKE 10:17-20; JOHN 4:29-42; JOHN 9:30-33	CELEBRATE WHAT GOD HAS DONE	
MATTHEW 28:18-20; ACTS 13:48-49	SHARE THE GOOD NEWS	
ACTS 4:1-31	REMAIN FAITHFUL	
MARK 12:41-44; LUKE 6:37-38	GIVE AND SHARE	
LUKE 22:14-20;	COMMUNION: REMEMBERING JESUS' DEATH AND RESURRECTION TOGETHER	
MATTHEW 8:23-34; 9:1-8; 10:1	JESUS' AUTHORITY OVER NATURE, DEMONS AND SICKNESS	
JOHN 11:1-44	OUR HOPE: JESUS' POWER OVER DEATH	
1 JOHN 5:1-5	FOLLOW ALL JESUS' COMMANDS	
MATTHEW 4:17-25	VISION FOR OTHER LOCATIONS	
ACTS 16:6-15	START NEW GROUPS OF JESUS' FOLLOWERS	
ACTS 14:21-28	A NETWORK OF JESUS' FOLLOWERS	



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ACTS 1:1-5	THE PROMISE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT	
ACTS 1: 6-11	ASCENSION OF JESUS	
ACTS 1:12-26	MATTHIAS REPLACES JUDAS	
ACTS 2:1-13	EVERYONE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT	
ACTS 2:14-36	PETER SHARES THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT JESUS	
ACTS 2:37-41	THE PEOPLE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS	
ACTS 2:42-47	THE CULTURE OF THE NEW CHURCH #1	
ACTS 3:1-10	HEALING OF A CRIPPLE MAN	
ACTS 3:11-26	PETER SHARES WITH THE ISRAELITES	
ACTS 4:1-22	PETER AND JOHN BEFORE THE COUNCIL	
ACTS 4:23-31	PRAYER FOR COURAGE, AND FILLED AGAIN WITH HOLY SPIRIT	
ACTS 4:32-37	THE CULTURE OF THE NEW CHURCH #2	
ACTS 5:1-11	ANANIAS AND SAPPHIRA	
ACTS 5:12-16	THE APOSTLES HEAL MANY	

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ACTS 5:17-42	THE APOSTLES ARRESTED, JAILED, BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNCIL AND FLOGGED	
ACTS 6:1-7	DEACONS APPOINTED	
ACTS 6:8-15	STEPHEN ARRESTED	
ACTS 7:1- 8:3	THE GOOD NEWS – ABRAHAM TO JESUS; STEPHEN STONED, PERSECUTION	
ACTS 8:4-25	PHILLIP, PETER AND JOHN IN SAMARIA	
ACTS 8:26-40	PHILLIP AND THE ETHIOPIAN EUNUCH	
ACTS 9:1-19	PAUL BECOMES A FOLLOWER OF JESUS	
ACTS 9:20-31	PAUL BEGINS SHARING JESUS POWERFULLY	
ACTS 9:32-43	HEALING OF AENEAS AND TABITHA	
ACTS 10:1-33	CORNELIUS AND PETER ARE BROUGHT TOGETHER BY GOD	
ACTS 10:34-48	PETER SHARES THE GOOD NEWS; THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES UPON THEM	
ACTS 11:1-18	PETER EXPLAINS GOD'S PLAN FOR THE GENTILES	
ACTS 11:19-30	OTHERS BEGIN TO SHARE WITH GENTILES AND THE CHURCH GROWS	
ACTS 12:1-19	PETER ARRESTED AND THEN ESCAPES	
ACTS 12:20-24	THE DEMISE OF HEROD	

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ACTS 12:25	BARNABAS AND SAUL ARE COMMISSIONED	
ACTS 13	PAUL PREACHES IN ANTIOCH AND CHURCH BEGINS	
ACTS 14:1-7	PAUL IN ICONIUM, MANY BELIEVE BUT MANY DON'T	
ACTS 14:8-20	PAUL HEALS A CRIPPLE, PREACHES, AND GETS STONED	
ACTS 14:21-28	A SUMMARY OF PAUL'S WORK	
ACTS 15:1-21	PAUL REPORTS TO THE APOSTLES	
ACTS 15:22-35	LETTER TO THE GENTILES	
ACTS 15:36-41	PAUL AND BARNABAS ARGUE OVER TAKING JOHN	
ACTS 16:1-5	TIMOTHY JOINS PAUL AND SILAS	
ACTS 16:6-10	HOLY SPIRIT DIRECTS THEIR WAY	
ACTS 16:11-15	LYDIA BECOMES FIRST BELIEVER IN PHILIPPI	
ACTS 16:16-24	PAUL CASTS OUT A DEMON AND IS PUT IN JAIL	
ACTS 16:25-40	PAUL PREACHES AND THE JAILER AND HIS FAMILY BELIEVE	
ACTS 17:1-15	THE BEGINNING OF THE CHURCH AT THESSALONICA & BEREA	
ACTS 17:16-34	PAUL PREACHES IN ATHENS	

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ACTS 18:1-17	PAUL IN CORINTH	
ACTS 18:18-23	PRISCILLA, AQUILLA AND APOLLOS	
ACTS 18:24-28	APOLLOS BEGINS HIS MINISTRY	
ACTS 19:1-7	EPHESIANS RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT	
ACTS 19:8-12	PAUL SHOWS AND TELLS THE GOOD NEWS	
ACTS 19:13-22	SONS OF SCEVA, AND SORCERY BOOKS ARE BURNT	
ACTS 19:23-41	RIOT IN EPHESUS	
ACTS 20:1-12	PAUL IN TROAS	
ACTS 20:13-38	PAUL'S MESSAGE TO THE EPHESIANS	
ACTS 21:1-16	PAUL'S JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM	
ACTS 21:17-26	PAUL REPORTS TO THE APOSTLES	
ACTS 21:27-36	PAUL ARRESTED IN JERUSALEM	
ACTS 21:37 - 22:23	PAUL PREACHES	
ACTS 22:30 - 23:11	PAUL PREACHES TO THE HIGH PRIESTS	
ACTS 26:1-29	PAUL BEFORE KING AGRIPPA	
ACTS 28:17-31	PAUL IN ROME	

