

BOOK 04
DISCOVER SERIES

DISCOVER BIBLE

KEY TEACHING
FOR DISCIPLES OF JESUS

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Discover Bible

READ, REVEAL, REFLECT & RESPOND

The Discover Method is designed to engage everyone in the learning, discovery and application of the Bible.

WHY DISCOVER BIBLE?

- *God wants to speak to and through each person as they read the Bible together*
- *The Holy Spirit is our teacher who inspires and reveals truth*

- *It is a simple pattern that can be used by young and old, those with little or much faith or biblical knowledge*

- *It provides a simple and easy way for groups and those exploring faith to explore the fundamental truths found within a Bible passage and begin to apply what they learn.*

The Bible is the primary resource. Discover Bible does not require prior biblical knowledge, a gifted teacher, sermons, DVDs, podcasts or study resources.



DISCOVER BIBLE STEPS

READ

- . Have everyone read the passage to themselves*
- . Ask someone to read the passage out loud or multiple people if it's a long passage*
- . You can try reading the passage using a second translation*
- . You can also play an audio version if that is helpful*

REVEAL

- . What do we learn about God?*
- . What do we learn about us?*

REFLECT

- . What part of the passage stood out to you?*

RESPOND

- . How will you put that into practise this week?*

Bible Readings

Passages in **BOLD** are suggested group readings

The Good News we believe

— *Week One*

John 3:16-21
Acts 2:14-41
Acts 3:11-26; 5:21-32
Acts 10:34-48
Acts 13:16-41
Acts 17:22-31
Acts 26:1-32
Romans 5:1-21
1 Cor 15:1-28

Holy Spirit - His presence,
power & work in us

— *Week Two*

Matthew 3:1-17
John 14:15-31
John 15:26-16:15
Acts 1:1-8; 2:1-13
Acts 4:23-31; 10:23-48
1 Cor 2:1-16
Galatians 5:13-26

Heavenly Father - We are His children

— *Week Three*

John 1:1-32
Romans 8:12-17
Galatians 4:1-7
1 Peter 1:3-25
1 John 2:28-3:10
1 John 5:1-12

The love of God

— *Week Four*

Luke 15:1-32
Romans 8:31-39
1 Cor 13:1-13
Ephesians 2:1-13
Ephesians 3:14-21

Loved so we can love

— *Week
Five*



Mark 12:28-34
Luke 6:27-36
Luke 10:25-37
John 13:1-35
John 15:9-17
1 John 2:7-14
1 John 3:11-24
1 John 4:7-21

Prayer - Conversations &
collaborating with God

— *Week
Six*



Matthew 6:5-18
Luke 11:1-13; 18:1-8
Luke 21: 34-38
Luke 22:39-46
John 17:1-25
Ephesians 1:15-23
Ephesians 3:14-21
2 Thess 3:1-5
1 Timothy 2:1-17
James 5:13-18

Put off the old life, put on
the new

— *Week
Seven*



Mark 2:18-22
Luke 6:43-49
Luke 19:1-10
Acts 19:1-20
Rom 6:1-23; 13:11-14
2 Cor 4:1-18; 6:14-18
Ephesians 2:1-22
Ephesians 4:17-32
Phil 1:27-30; 2:1-18
Hebrew 12:1-13
1 Peter 1:13-25; 2:1-3
1 John 1:5-2:2



Living the new life of the Spirit

— *Week Eight*



John 12:23-26

Romans 8:1-39

2 Cor 5:1-21

Galatians 5:16:26

Ephesians 5:1-20

Colossians 3:1-17

1 Thess 4:1-12

1Tim 2:1-26

1 Peter 4:1-19

Phillipians 2:12-18

Forgiving others

— *Week Nine*



1 Samuel 24:1-22

Matthew 18:21-35

Matthew 6:9-14

Luke 6:37-42; 7:36-50

John 8:2-10

Acts 7:54-60

Colossians 3:12-17

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Temptation & how to resist

— *Week
Ten*

○ Genesis 39:1-12
Matthew 4:1-11
1 Corinthians 10:1-15
Ephesians 6:10-20
1 Timothy 6:6-21
Hebrew 4:12-16
James 1:12-27
James 4:1-10

Walking in Faith 1 & 2

— *Week
Twelve*

○ Genesis 6:1-22
Genesis 12:1-8
Genesis 39:1-23
Genesis 45:1-28
Joshua 2:1-24
Joshua 3:1-17
Matt 8:5-13

Stand, fight & overcome our enemy

— *Week
Eleven*

○ Exodus 17:8-16
2 Kings 6:8-23
Daniel 3:1-30
2 Corinthians 10:3-5
Ephesians 6:11-17
1 Timothy 6:6-21
1 Peter 4:12-5:11

— *Week
Thirteen*

○ **Matthew 14:13-33**
Matthew 17:14-20
Mark 11:12-14, 20-24
Luke 8:22-25, 40-56
Hebrews 11:1-40
James 2:14-26
1 Peter 1:1-9

Jesus sends His disciples
with authority & power

— *Week
Fourteen*

Luke 9:1-6, 37-38
Luke 10:1-12
Matthew 16:13-19
Matthew 28:16-20
Mark 16:15-18
Luke 24:46-49
Acts 1:8
John 20:21-22
Acts 4:23-31
Acts 8:4-8

Caring for each other

— *Week
Fifteen*

Acts 2:42-47
Acts 4:32-35
Romans 12:1-21
1 Corinthians 12:12-31
Hebrews 10:19-25

Building up the Church

— *Week
Sixteen*

Romans 12:1-8
1 Corinthians 12:1-8
1 Corinthians 14:1-40
Ephesians 4:1-16
1 Timothy 4:14-16
1 Peter 4:10-11

Faith under pressure

— *Week
Seventeen*

Genesis 22:1-19
Genesis 41:1-57
Exodus 14:1-31
Daniel 1:1-21
Daniel 3:1-30
Daniel 6:1-28
Acts 4:1-22
Acts 16:16-40

The cost of following Jesus

— *Week
Eighteen*

Matthew 4:18-22
Matthew 10:5-39
Matthew 19:16-30
Luke 9:23-27; 57-62
Luke 14:25-35
2 Corinthians 6:2-10

Giving

— *Week
Nineteen*

Matthew 6:1-4, 19-24
Matthew 26:6-13
Mark 12:41-44
Luke 16:19-32
2 Corinthians 8:1-15
2 Corinthians 9:1-15
James 5:1-6

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The greatest serve

— *Week
Twenty*

Matthew 20:20-28
Luke 14:7-11;
Luke 18:9-17
Luke 22:24-30
John 13:1-20
Philippians 2:1-11

Don't be anxious

— *Week
Twenty
One*

Psalms 23:1-6
Psalm 91:1-16
Matthew 6:25-34
Matthew 8:23-27
Luke 10:38-42
Luke 12:4-7, 22-34
Philippians 4:4-9

Handling trials & hardship 1&2

— *Week
Twenty
Two*

Romans 5:3-5
2 Corinthians 2:3-11
2 Corinthians 12:1-10
2 Thessalonians 1:3-12
2 Timothy 2:1-14
2 Timothy 3:1-17
James 1:2-15; 5:7-11

— *Week
Twenty
Three*

1 Peter 1:3-9
1 Peter 3:8-22

We are made right with God through faith in Jesus

— *Week
Twenty
Four*

Romans 3:21-28
Romans 4:1-25
Romans 5:1-2, 6-11
Galatians 3:1-14
Hebrews 9:1-28
Hebrews 10:1-18

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Beware of self-reliance,
rebellion & unbelief 1 & 2

— *Week
Twenty
Five*

Genesis 11:1-9

Genesis 12:10-20

Genesis 16:1-16

Genesis 18:1-15

Numbers 11:1-35

Numbers 14:1-45

Numbers 16:1-50

— *Week
Twenty
Six*

Numbers 20:2-13

Numbers 25:1-13

Judges 2:1-23

Jeremiah 17:1-10

Luke 12:13-21



Beware the lust of the eyes

— *Week
Twenty
Seven*

Genesis 3:1-7
2 Samuel 11:1-27
Proverbs 6:20-35
1 Timothy 6:6-10
1 John 2:15-17

We are salt & light

— *Week
Twenty
Nine*

Isaiah 60:1-5
Matthew 5:13-16
2 Corinthians 4:1-12
Ephesians 5:1-14
1 John 1:5-10

Dealing with anger

— *Week
Twenty
Eight*

Matthew 5:21-26
Ephesians 4:26-31
Romans 12:14-21
James 1:19-21

Eternal life & Heaven

— *Week
Thirty*

Matt 22:23-33
John 3:10-21
John 6:24-29
John 11:1-27
1 Cor 15:12-58
1 Thess 4:13-18
Rev 4:1-11, 5:1-14
Revelation 21:1-27
Revelation 22:1-21

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Get ready: Jesus is
coming again 1 & 2

— *Week
Thirty
One*

Matthew 24:36-51

Matthew 25:1-46

Luke 12:35-48

Luke 17:20-37

John 14:1-14

— *Week
Thirty
Two*

1 Thess 5:1-11

2 Thess 2:1-17

2 Peter 3:1-18

Discover More

A simple tool to help individuals & groups study, explore & apply the Bible in more depth.

WHAT IS DISCOVER MORE?

Discover More adds to Discover Bible (Read, Reveal, Reflect, Respond.) The Discover More tool is designed for people and groups wanting to discover a deeper understanding not directly observable in Bible passages.

WHY DO DISCOVER MORE?

God has a rich vein of revelation that has layers of depth and treasure for us to discover as we take the time to dig deep into His living Word. Discover More provides a set of questions that can help add to what has been learnt through the Discover Bible questions. Discover More will help direct your research as you consider the meaning of words, context, history, culture and what other parts of the Bible reveal about what you are reading.



WHEN & HOW

Discover More is not designed to be used as the primary Bible study tool in a Disciple Community. We see Discover More as a bonus learning tools used outside of the normal Disciple Community meetings. Using the Discover More tools can take considerable time, so we suggest when doing Discover More that you make an optional time (at least an hour) for those interested. We understand that some people will find the Discover More model to be more challenging and interesting, especially for existing Christians or people who enjoy study. But choosing to only use the Discover More tool in a Disciple Community can quickly create an uneven playing field for those who are not yet followers of Jesus or for those followers who

are not wanting or ready to explore the Bible in greater depth.

NOTES FOR FACILITATORS

As the person facilitating Discover More Bible, your role is to share and help members of the group to access and use tools. Remember, the most effective form of teaching is modelling how to use a study tool, that is easily replicable for disciples equipping disciples to be disciple makers. Resist the temptation of doing all the research for people, and avoid doing all the talking or delivering a sermon or lecture.





DISCOVER MORE STEPS

WHO, WHY, WHERE?

- *Who wrote it?*
- *Why did they write it?*
- *Who did they write it to?*
- *What was the main message or reason for writing?*

LOOK CLOSER

- *What is the immediate context of the passage? Before? After? Is it part of a bigger story or teaching or is it self-contained?*
- *Are there any words or ideas that appear foreign to us today?*



LOOK WIDER

- *Is there anything cultural, geographical or historical that might be helpful?*
- *Are there references to other Scriptures, stories or prophesy in the Bible?*

DISCOVER BIBLE

- *Read*
- *Reveal*
- *Reflect*
- *Respond*

ONLINE RESOURCES

- *The Bible Project — The who, why, where, what of each of the books of the Bible*
- *Bible Gateway Commentaries — Looking wider, looking closer at a chapter/passage*
- *Blue Letter Bible Interlinear Concordance Hebrew and Greek — Looking wider, looking closer at a chapter/passage*
- *Bible Hub app*



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