

How To conduct the 3/3rds Discovery Bible Study

Pray: Ask someone to start with a prayer.

First: LOOK BACK (1/3 of your time)

Care: Ask each person how has your personal relationship with God been this past week? Or ask what are you thankful for this week?

Check-up: **Use your notes** from last week and ask ***each*** person:

How have you obeyed what you have learned?

Who have you trained in what you have learned?

With whom have you shared your testimony or the Gospel?

Vision

Ask the group – “What is the vision for our 3/3rds group?” or in a newer group you may simply state it:

To be disciples who make disciples who make disciples and thus to see God raise up a Disciple Making Movement that will bless the people of this city, this state, this nation and the ends of the earth.

As part of the vision casting, only if time permits, read *one* of the following passages out loud to the group: Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; 2 Timothy 2:2; Matthew 9:35-38; 1 Corinthians 9:19-23; Acts 20:25-27

Then: LOOK UP (1/3 of your time)

First Pray audibly and ask God to teach you the passage we are getting ready to read.

Read this week's passage and Discuss (The leader decides this week's passage):

1. What did you like about this passage?

2. Did you find anything difficult to understand about this passage?

Read this week's passage again and Discuss:

3. What does this passage teach about God?

4. What does this passage teach about people?

Then: LOOK FORWARD (1/3 of your time)

First - Pray audibly for the Holy Spirit to show each person how to answer the following three questions. After you pray out loud, give each person the opportunity for silent prayer. (3-5 minutes.)

5. How will you **obey** this passage?
6. Who will you **train** with this passage?
7. With whom will you **share** your testimony or the Gospel?

After praying, **ask each person** the following 3 questions and **write down their answers:**

1. Ask how will they be **obedient** to the Holy Spirit?
2. Ask if the Holy Spirit has placed someone on their heart that they should **train**.
3. Ask if the Holy Spirit has placed someone on their heart with whom they should **share** their testimony or the Gospel.

Practice (Never skip) In groups of two or three, practice what you have committed to do in question 5, 6 or 7. For example, role- play a difficult conversation or facing a temptation; practice teaching today's passage, or practice sharing the Gospel.

Talk with God In groups of two or three, pray for every member individually. Ask God to prepare the hearts of the people who will be hearing about Jesus this week. Ask Him to give you the strength to be obedient to your commitments.