

## Weekly Study Guide

## LCC Home Group

Date: **October 2nd & 6th**

Visit time (okay to come early 15 minutes).

### Talk

What are you thankful for?

What is causing you stress?

How can we help?

Who needs our help?

How can we help them?

### Opening Prayer

### Look Back

Last Weeks Verse

Retell story from previous meeting.

What did you do differently because of this story?

Who did you tell and what was the reaction?

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**Current: Read & Retell** Verse

One person read the Bible passage out loud. Someone else recap the verse and others fill-in what is missing.

**Read & Look** Read the passage again. Discuss what this passage says about **God, Jesus or his plan.**

**Read & Look Again** Read the passage again. Discuss what this passage says about **humans.**

**Inside me** According to this study, what am I doing well?

What might I need to change?

**Who Else?** Who needs to hear this story? How can I tell them?

Who can I invite to study the Bible?

**Close in prayer**

## Group Guidelines

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Read these guidelines to the group as you begin every week. There may be a new person in the group.

- 1 Everyone shares in sentences, not paragraphs. Keep it short.
- 2 Focus only on what this passage is saying, not on other passages.
- 3 Focus only on what this group is seeing
- 4 Give people time to respond. Silence is Okay.
- 5 The facilitator should facilitate discussion, not teach.
- 6 This is a safe place to share. What is said in the group, stays in the group.
- 7 We never gossip about our church or any other church, nor any person not present.
- 8 Everyone is encouraged to participate and to read when asked; but it is okay to say I'm not ready or no thank you, maybe next time.

## Facilitator Guidelines

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Review these helpful hints to keep the group on track and control rabbit holes.

- 1 Keep the session on schedule and complete all sections, though not necessarily all questions.
- 2 Prepare before by studying the passage, looking for main idea and think of some examples, stories or applications from your own life.
- 3 Respond to questions by asking group, "What in the passage helps us answer that question?"
- 4 Respond to distracting comments by asking, "Where is that found in this passage?"
- 5 Respond to "strange" answers by asking, "Help us understand what you are thinking."
- 6 Use the LCC Prayer cards for those needing prayer.
- 7 Keep the meetings to 60 minutes, 90 at max. It is recommended no food to keep focused on our goal.
- 8 The purpose of these groups is to grow the Church and followers in Christ. We are here to support each other and learn about God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. We gather as a Church for fellowship. As our groups grow, we branch out into more groups; we do not divide or break, we stay connected as one. There will be no changes or additions to this program under LCC.