



# LIFE GROUP GUIDE

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**April 10, 13 2025**

**Devote: John 15:1-11**

## **Connect** (10-15 mins)

1. Share something that brought you joy this past week? Or what was the last thing that made you laugh?

## **Grow** (10-15 mins)

2. What Scripture are you currently reading or meditating on as we approach Passion Week?  
\*If you are looking for a Holy Week reading plan, click here: [Easter Week in Real Time](#)

## **Share** (15-30 mins)

3. Read John 8:31 and John 15:1-11. Have someone recap the sermon in 1-2 minutes. What was most meaningful or significant from last week's sermon?
4. It was said that to prove you are true disciples, you will "abide" in The Word. Define that word abide. What regular rhythms of abiding do you practice in your daily life with the Lord? Share an example from this past week of how abiding connected you to the Presence of God.
5. What areas do you allow God's word to rule and reign in your life? What areas do you grasp for control, walk in your own wisdom, or look to outside voices over God's word? Why do you think some areas of your life are easier to submit to God's word over others?

## **Practice: Embracing the Gospel** (30-45 mins)

To abide (sink deeply or remain) in God's word we must practice spending regular time, over time, with the Word. There are a few main areas of hermeneutics (method for interpreting the bible) we want to slow down and practice one of these together this week.

Consider the following methods of bible study below:

**Observation:** What does it say?

**Interpretation:** What does it mean?

**Connection:** How does this connect to the Gospel?

**Application:** How does this apply?

\*If time allows, review: "[How to Study the Bible](#)" for more details.



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Read the passage below.	Set a timer for 5 minutes. Record as many observations as you can below.
John 15:1-4	
John 15:5-8	
John 15: 9-11	

Now go back and read the same section of passage above. This time set a timer for 1 minute in each section and record more observations.

- Discuss your observations as a group. What did you notice from this section of Scripture?
- What did this practice teach you about abiding? How can you implement a slower and regular rhythm of sinking deeply into God's Word and God's presence?
- Have someone close by reading John 15:11 and pray.