

Silverdale Baptist

Making Disciples~ Week 5~How To Study God's Word 9/17-18/2022

Opening Review Question:

Did anyone share the three circles last week? Tell us about it.

Ice Breaker:

What is your favorite Bible story?

Today we are going to follow the 5 steps of the SOAPS Bible study method

Leader Note: Although there are several Bible study methods, we will focus on learning the SOAPS method this week.

Please be aware of two common pitfalls:

- 1. Sometimes we think that we, as leaders, need to be the experts on the passage of Scripture. You don't. Do everything you can to help the group discover God's Word for themselves rather than teach them with your explanations and insights.
- 2. Group members may want to add other Scripture or outside resources to the discussion; however, keep the conversation focused on just this passage.

S. Scripture (6-8 minutes)

Have the group read Mark 2:1-12. Have a different person read each verse.

Ask someone to read the entire passage of Mark 2:1-12.

Ask someone else to retell Mark 2:1-12 in their own words in 30 seconds or less.

O. Observe (6-8 minutes)

What does it say about God, Jesus, or His Plan?

What does it say about people?

A. Apply (6-8 minutes)

Is there an action to take?

Is there a sin to avoid?

P. Pray (6-8 minutes)

Take two minutes to pray silently and ask these two questions. What is God saying to me in this passage?

What will I do in response to this passage?

*Leader Note: Please share first what God is saying to you and what you will do in response. Then ask others to share.

S. Share (6-8 minutes)

Who can I share this with?

When will I do this?

Closing Group Discussion

How will this benefit your personal Bible study?