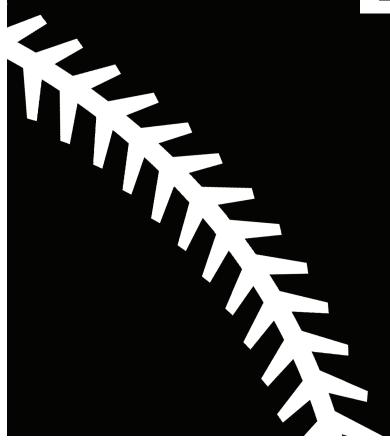
Is The Bible True?

ONE: THE HIDDEN TRUTH **TWO**: NEW SIGHT

SESSION THREE: HELPING OUR BELIEF

OBJECTIVE

1. Understand three ways to help ourselves believe in the Bible.



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Write out some key takeaways you've gotten so far:

Thus far, we've seen why we don't innately understand the Bible to be true, as well as the ways the Holy Spirit reveals the Word to us. Now, we are going to practically examine the ways that we can participate in coming to see the truth within God's Word.

As a reminder, the work of the Holy Spirit is the only means by which we will ever receive it as true. Nevertheless, we are going to review three simple ways that we can open the door of our heart to the Spirt to change our perspective of the Word.

Steps to Helping our Belief in the Bible's Truth:

Hear It and Receive It					
Romans	10:17	_	"Consequently,	come	
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through	about Christ."

The very first step we must take in our pursuit of the Bible's truth is hearing. Truly hearing the Bible is much more than listening to it's words and moving on through life. Your hearing of the Word should be patient, meditated and free of distraction. Treat the word's of the Bible with attentiveness and like words that are full of life — just as they are.

What are some ways you can hear and receive God's Word more intentionally?

See Jesus within it...

Read Hebrews 2:10-18.

The writer of Hebrews said it best, in that ,"because Jesus suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted." As you hear the Word and receive it's truth, keep your eyes closely fixed to the life of Jesus. He endured the same hardships that we face daily, yet remained blameless. Who better to look to as we navigate the hills and valleys of life?

How has the life Jesus lived help you navigate situations in your own life?

Live it Out for True Life...

John 6:63b-69 — "'The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. Yet there are some of you who do not believe.'

For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. He went on to say, 'This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled him.' From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. 'You do not want to leave too, do you?'

The disciples had a front row seat to not only hearing Jesus's words, but also watching how He lived them out. As they followed him for the three years of His formal ministry, they began taking small steps to embody the words Jesus spoke. The result was evident, as Peter mentioned in this passage.

Even more so, many of the disciples would be killed for their convicting belief that Jesus is the Messiah. As we begin to live out the disciplines, wisdom and hope rooted in the Bible, we validate its truth through the joy and peace that a life lived in Christ will bring.

Has your life been a reflection of someone who walked away in disbelief or what Peter said to Jesus in John 6:68-69?

Which of the three steps towards believing in the Bible do you need to work on most? What are some practical ways you can begin doing this?