

METHODS:

How to Read the Bible Well

Part 3:

APPLICATION: WHAT SHOULD I DO? We don't want to just know more about the Bible. We want to put into practice what we learn.

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To move past information and apply what we learn

CONNECT

Application is about putting what we learn into practice. What is one area of your life where you feel stuck or stagnant? What obstacles or challenges do you typically face when trying to make changes or implement new habits?

REVIEW

- 1. Did you have a chance to read some of the background information from the book of Luke? What surprised or intrigued you about the background information from the book of Luke?
- 2. Regarding Luke 8:22–25, How does this story about Jesus calming the storm resonate with your own experiences of facing challenges?

[ON YOUR OWN] WATCH THE VIDEO | NOTE-TAKING GUIDE

LUKE 8:22-25

We'll be using the following passage throughout our three sessions together:

22 One day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side of the lake." So they got into a boat and set out. 23 As they sailed, he fell asleep. A squall came down on the lake, so that the boat was being swamped, and they were in great danger.

24 The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!"

He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm. 25 "Where is your faith?" he asked his disciples.

In fear and amazement they asked one another, "Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him."

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DISCUSS

- 1. What aspect of the video resonated with you the most? Why?
- 2. In Luke 8:22–25, What timeless truth or principle does this story about Jesus calming the storm convey about God's character and relationship with us?
- 3. How can you apply the principle of faith demonstrated in this passage to a challenging situation you are currently facing?
- 4. What aspect of the past few sessions has had the most significant impact on your understanding of how to read the Bible effectively?
- 5. How has your approach to reading the Bible transformed as a result of these sessions? What specific changes have you made or intend to make in your Bible reading practices?
- 6 What specific step can you take immediately to improve your Bible reading habits and gain a deeper understanding of God's word?"

DIGGING DEEPER

- 1. What personal qualities do you think are essential for developing unwavering faith?
- 2. How can we trust God's promises more deeply, especially during challenging times?
- 3. What practical steps can we take to strengthen our faith in the face of doubts and uncertainties?
- 4. How can we share our faith experiences, encouraging them to embrace God's love and guidance?
- 5. How can we integrate our faith into our daily lives, making it a living and active force?
- 6. How does Jesus' response to the disciples' fear and anxiety reflect his character and relationship with his followers?
- 7. What lessons can we learn from Jesus' calming of the storm about trusting in God's sovereignty and control?
- 8. How does this passage challenge our perceptions of faith and encourage us to reconsider our approach to trusting God?
- 9. What specific instances in our lives have we experienced God's power and presence during challenges?
- 10. How can we cultivate gratitude for God's faithfulness and unwavering love?

PRAY

An Example:

"Dear Lord, as we continue our journey of learning and applying your wisdom, we pray for open hearts and minds to receive your guidance. Help us to discern your voice amidst the distractions of our daily lives and empower us to put your teachings into practice. May your word be a beacon of light, leading us toward a life of purpose, fulfillment, and unwavering faith. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen."