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# GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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## GETTING STARTED:

If the group is fairly new, start by simply sharing three things.

1. What's your favorite food?
2. What's your favorite childhood memory?
3. What's something still on your bucket list?

Let's start this journey by simply acknowledging that learning to read scripture can be intimidating. Remember, this journey isn't about seeing who knows the most, it's about becoming alive as God's Word transforms us.

As a group, we're stronger when we get our fears or hesitations out in the open. As you begin this Bible study, share what are you afraid of, what intimidates you, or what makes you nervous when it comes to starting to read the Bible regularly.

What can we do as a group to address these fears and encourage each other?

## TIP OF THE WEEK:

First create consistency, then increase intensity.

## READ 2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17

## THIS WEEK:

- + What parts of your personal life would you like to see God breathe life into?
- + It is important to have a consistent time and place for reading scripture.  
What would be a good time and place for you?
- + First practice consistency. Since this may be a new habit for you, what can you do to make sure you have a consistent time and place to study God's Word?

## WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS DO YOU MOST NEED TO HOLD ONTO THIS NEXT WEEK?

1. God is not judging me based on how much I read or how much I know. He simply wants me to know Him more.
2. This is not a competition. God won't love me more if I read more and pray more than everyone else in the group this week.
3. Reading the Bible is not about trying to erase the bad I've done. I'm already forgiven through Jesus. Reading the Bible is about me becoming more alive in His Word and not about trying to make up for my past.

## WRAPPING UP:

How can we pray for each other this week?