

# KICKSTARTER DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY GUIDE

*Equipping every believer to go  
and make disciples that multiply*



***"THE WORDS I HAVE SPOKEN TO  
YOU — THEY ARE FULL OF THE  
SPIRIT AND LIFE."***

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# JESUS SAID IN RED

*His words bring life*



## What is the Jesus Said In Red campaign?

Jesus Said In Red is an outreach campaign that is focused on sharing the words and stories of Jesus as a primary means to evangelism and discipleship. The hope for this campaign is that more followers of JESUS will start a Discovery Bible Study to help people focus on JESUS and His words.



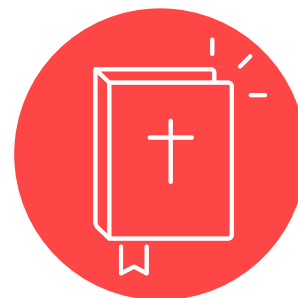
### *Online campaigns*

Champion the words of Jesus online through social media campaigns.



### *Start conversations*

Encourage people to start discussions with friends, family & the local community.



### *Run discover bible studies*

Run a Bible Study group using the 411 tool & The Commands of Christ.

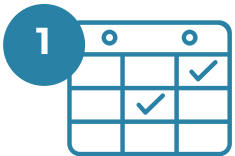
# GROUP LEADER INFORMATION

*Quick Start Notes for Group Leaders*

# GROUP LEADERS



*Kick start a discovery bible study today!*



## SET YOUR LAUNCH SESSION

The first step is for you to make a decision to start your Discovery Bible Study and set a date. Most people run this as a weekly bible study but if time commitments restrict this, every fortnight works well also.



## INVITE PEOPLE TO EXPLORE JESUS

Once you have decide to set your launch date you should invite people to join your Discover Bible Study. You can start by simply inviting followers of JESUS or if you do know someone far from God, you can invite them as well. Each week others will be encouraged to reach out to the lost and bring them to the group.



## RUN YOUR DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY WITH THE WORDS OF JESUS

The focus of the JESUS SAID IN RED campaign is to reach an online audience with the words of Jesus. There are 4 studies you can use to support this campaign that cover different aspects of Jesus' teaching.

# DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY



*Helping people discover His Word*

## What is a Discovery Bible Study?

A Discovery Bible Study (DBS) is a small group that meets together to explore the life and words of Jesus for the purpose of discipleship. The group meets to help others discover what the Bible says and to encourage people to follow Christ.

## What a Discovery Bible Study is not?

A DBS is not based on someone being the teacher and dominating the discussion. These studies are 100% about discipling people to follow JESUS and to help other followers discover God's Word for themselves. The facilitator of the group is someone who is able to lead the people by asking questions and giving everyone an opportunity in the group to contribute to the discussion.

## Why run a Discovery Bible Study?

The Discovery Bible Study method is being used globally to not only disciple people to follow JESUS but also to reach the lost. The rhythm of meeting up weekly, going through the Word and praying together helps people encounter Jesus and learn His ways. Many people use the Discovery Bible Study as a place to invite those far from God. People simply ask questions like:

- Would you like to meet up and read the bible with me?
- Would you like to meet up and read some stories of hope?

# 3 THIRDS FORMAT



*A simple format for a bible study group*



## Look back

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- 1) CARE
- 2) WORSHIP
- 3) LOVING ACCOUNTABILITY
- 4) VISION



## Look up

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- 5) NEW LESSONS
- 6) PRACTICE



## Look forward

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- 7) SET GOALS
- 8) COMMISSION (PRAY)





# 5 STAGE STUDY FORMAT

*Sharing Jesus through the word*

## 1. Care time (5min)

Give people a chance to briefly share how they are doing.

## 2. Worship (10-15 mins)

Spend time to worship Jesus in song (unless you're running this group in a location such as a public café).

## 3. Sharing Accountability (5min)

The Facilitator asks "Who was able to share the story? How has that impacted others?"

## 4. Discover the Bible Together (25-30min)

Use one of the stories listed and:

- Read the story together from the Bible twice
- Tell the story in your own words
- Discuss the story together using these Bible

Discovery questions:

- What do we learn about God/Jesus in the story?
- What do we learn from the people in this story?
- What is this passage telling me to do?
- Who am I going to tell?

## 5. Pray & Go (5-10 Minutes)

- Pray for people who are far from God
- Pray to obey and abide in the commands of Christ
- **GO INTO THE HARVEST** and share what JESUS did and said

# 4 BIBLE STUDIES

*Different study types*



## 9 STORIES OF HOPE

### For people exploring Jesus

The Stories of Hope is suited to people who may not be Christian who are interested in learning more about Jesus. The focus of study is to share stories of Jesus and help them discover who He is, what He did and what He said.

## 11 COMMANDS OF CHRIST

### For people following Jesus

If someone is turning to JESUS we recommend you run them through a series called the Commands of Christ. This is based on the Great Commission when Jesus instructed followers to make disciples, baptise and teach everyone to obey His commands.

## THE 4 GOSPELS

### For ongoing discipleship

We also recommend running the Discovery Bible Study method to explore the four Gospels. This is great way for followers of Christ to go deeper and know more of who JESUS is, what He did and what He said.

## THE 2 BAPTISMS

### For discovering water and Holy Spirit baptism

Jesus spoke about two baptisms, baptism in water and baptism in the Holy Spirit. The 2 Baptism Discovery tool is to help followers of Jesus understand what the Bible says about baptism in water and baptism in the Holy Spirit.



# SESSION RUNNING TIPS

*For your discovery bible study group*

These studies follow the DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY method of running a group. It's all about having a simple structure and format and focussing on asking questions so people discover what the Word says for themselves.

## Tip 1

Prepare and pray before each discovery bible study.

## Tip 2

Have a timer and stay focussed in the discovery bible study.

## Tip 3

Ask questions using the discovery bible study approach.

## Tip 4

Avoid the temptation to preach / teach! Let the Holy Spirit be the teacher, simply ask questions.

## Tip 5

Stay focussed and avoid people going on tangents.

## Tip 6

Help people set goals weekly.

## Tip 7

Organise prayer walks and outreaches out of the group meet-ups.

# 9 STORIES OF HOPE

*For people exploring Jesus*



# 9 STORIES OF HOPE



*Sharing Jesus through the Word*

A discovery bible study on Jesus' authority over all.

- 1) Luke 7:36-50 - Jesus Forgives
- 2) Luke 5: 17-26 - Jesus Forgives & Heals
- 3) Luke 7:1-10 or Luke 8:43-48 - Jesus Heals the Sick
- 4) Luke 7:11-17 - Jesus Raises the Dead
- 5) Luke 8:22-25 - Jesus Calms the Storm
- 6) Luke 8:26-39 - Jesus Heals the Demoniac
- 7) Luke 9:10-17 - Jesus Feeds the 5,000
- 8) Luke 18:18-30 - Jesus & The Rich Man
- 9) Luke 9:28:36 - Jesus is God

 **JESUS  
SAID  
IN RED**

**THE  
COMMANDS  
OF  
CHRIST**

**BIBLE STUDY  
GUIDE**

# The Commands of Christ

# **OBEY AND ABIDE STUDY SERIES**

*Following what Jesus Said In Red*

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**the GLOBAL  
HARVEST**

## 01 COMMAND OF CHRIST

# REPENT AND BELIEVE IN JESUS



### Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

### Loving accountability

Give an account of your obedience to your "Fish & Follow" goals in the last month (Mark 1:17).

### Vision

Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



### The word (reading scripture)

1. **Read the command:** in Mark 1:15.
2. **Tell the story:** Zacchaeus - Luke 19:1-10 or The Sinful Woman - Luke 7:36-50
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

- What do we learn about **GOD** from the story?

- What do we learn from the **PEOPLE** in the story?

- Is there anything from the story Jesus wants us to **OBEY**?

### Practice

**Retell the story.**

### Explore more (optional)

1. **WHAT does 'Repent' mean?** Repent means turning from sin and following Jesus.
2. **WHAT does 'Believe' mean?** Believe means choosing to trust Jesus as Lord.
3. **WHY should we repent?** Read Romans 3:23; 6:23; 10:9.
4. **WHO should repent?** Acts 2:38-41 - Everyone must repent for forgiveness
5. **WHAT is assurance?** 1 John 1:9 says when we confess our sins, He is faithful to forgive us; and John 10:28 says our salvation belongs to Jesus.

### Set goals

**Fish:** Who are you praying for? Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

### Pray & go commission

**Pray and ask God for His power to help you:**

- **OBEY** Jesus and His commands.
- **ABIDE** in Christ daily by spending time with Him.
- **SHARE** the Gospel to people in your OIKOS.
- **CARE** for those in need around you with love.

## 02 COMMAND OF CHRIST

# BE BAPTISED IN WATER



### Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

### Loving accountability

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"Fish & Follow" goals in the last month  
(Mark 1:17).

### Vision

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cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



### Scripture

1. **Read the command:** in Matthew 28:19, Jesus says....
2. **Tell the story:** Philip and the New Believer - read Acts 8:26-39.
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

- What do we  
learn about **GOD**  
from the story?

- What do we learn  
from the **PEOPLE** in  
the story?

- Is there anything  
from the story Jesus  
wants us to **OBEY**?

### Practice

**Retell the story.**

### Explore more (optional)

1. **WHAT is 'Baptism'?** Read Romans 6:3-4 - Baptism is a symbol that we have died to our old life and been raised to a new life in Jesus.
2. **WHY should we be baptised?** Read Matthew 3:13-15 - Jesus received baptism, so should we. Receiving baptism means we have identified Jesus as our Lord.
3. **WHO should be baptised?** Read Acts 2:38 - Everyone who repents and believes.
4. **HOW should we be baptised?** Read Matthew 3:16 - Jesus went down into the water.

### Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

### Pray & go commission

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# 03 COMMAND OF CHRIST

## ASK FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT



### Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

### Loving accountability

Give an account of your obedience to your "Fish & Follow" goals in the last month (Mark 1:17).

### Vision

Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



### Scripture

1. **Read the command:** in Acts 1:4-5
2. **Tell the story:** Paul and the Disciples in Ephesus- Acts 19:1-7.
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

– What do we learn about **GOD** from the story?

– What do we learn from the **PEOPLE** in the story?

– Is there anything from the story Jesus wants us to **OBEY**?

### Practice

**Retell the story.**

### Explore more (optional)

1. **WHO is the 'Holy Spirit'?** Read John 14:26 - The Holy Spirit is the helper and the teacher.
2. **WHY should we ask for the Holy Spirit?** Read John 16:8 - Holy Spirit will convict us of sin, righteousness and judgment.
3. **WHO should receive the Holy Spirit?** Read John 7:38 - Whoever believe in Jesus out will flow rivers of living water.
4. **HOW can we receive the Holy Spirit?** Read Luke 11:13 - Ask for the Holy Spirit.
5. **WHAT happens when you receive the Holy spirit?** Read Acts 2:1-4, Acts 10:44-36 - They overflowed.

### Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

### Pray & go commission

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## 04 COMMAND OF CHRIST

# PRAY EVERYDAY



### Care

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(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

### Loving accountability

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"Fish & Follow" goals in the last month  
(Mark 1:17).

### Vision

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### Scripture

1. **Read the command:** in Matthew 6: 9-13, Jesus says...
2. **Tell the story:** Jesus teaches about Prayer - Matthew 6: 5-15.
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

– What do we  
learn about **GOD**  
from the story?

– What do we learn  
from the **PEOPLE** in  
the story?

– Is there anything  
from the story Jesus  
wants us to **OBEY**?

### Practice

**Retell the story.**

### Explore more (optional)

1. **WHY do we pray?** Read Matthew 6: 9-13- He hears. We desire His will on earth.
2. **HOW do we pray?**
  - By simply talking with God.
  - "Our Father..." God is your heavenly Father.
  - "Hallowed be your name..." Ask for God to glorify Himself through your life.
  - "Give us today our daily bread..." Ask for your needs.
  - "Forgive us our debts..." Ask for forgiveness of any sin
  - "Deliver us from the evil one..." Pray for deliverance when you face temptation.

### Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

### Pray & go commission

**Pray and ask God for His power to help you:**

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## 05 COMMAND OF CHRIST

# GO... MAKE DISCIPLES



### Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

### Loving accountability

Give an account of your obedience to your  
"Fish & Follow" goals in the last month  
(Mark 1:17).

### Vision

Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to  
cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



### Scripture

1. **Read the command:** in Matthew 28:19-20, Jesus says...
2. **Tell the story:** The Samaritan Woman - John 4:4-42.
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

– What do we  
learn about **GOD**  
from the story?

– What do we learn  
from the **PEOPLE** in  
the story?

– Is there anything  
from the story Jesus  
wants us to **OBEY**?

### Practice

**Retell the story.**

### Explore more (optional)

1. **Who should we share with?** Read John 4:16 - Our families, friends and neighbours.
2. **What should we say?** Read John 4:29 - The woman shared her story and Jesus' story (the Gospel).
3. **Who is qualified to go?** Read John 4 - The Samaritan woman sharing is an example for every believer!
4. **How should we go?** In groups of 2 or 3 throughout our neighbourhood and city: a) praying; b) sharing; and c) looking for "Persons of Peace" to disciple in the very same things we are learning here.

### Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

### Pray & go commission

**Pray and ask God for His power to help you:**

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## 06 COMMAND OF CHRIST

# LOVE PEOPLE



### Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

### Loving accountability

Give an account of your obedience to your "Fish & Follow" goals in the last month (Mark 1:17).

### Vision

Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



### Scripture

1. **Read the command:** in Matthew 22:37-39, Jesus says...
2. **Tell the story:** The Good Samaritan – read Luke 10:25-37.
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

– What do we learn about **GOD** from the story?

– What do we learn from the **PEOPLE** in the story?

– Is there anything from the story Jesus wants us to **OBEY**?

### Practice

**Retell the story.**

### Explore more (optional)

1. **WHAT is 'love'?** Read John 15:13 and 1 Corinthians 13.
2. **WHY do we love?** Read John 13:34-45- Because Jesus loved us first. Love teaches the world about Jesus.
3. **WHO should be love?** Read Matthew 22:37-39- First we need to love God, then we need to love our neighbours.
4. **HOW do we be love?** Read John 14:15 – Loving Jesus means we obey Him, and John 21:17 – Loving others means telling them what God has done for you.

### Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

### Pray & go commission

**Pray and ask God for His power to help you:**

- **OBEY** Jesus and His commands.
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# WORSHIP THROUGH PERSEVERANCE



Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

Loving accountability

Give an account of your obedience to your "Fish & Follow" goals in the last month (Mark 1:17).

Vision

Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



Scripture

1. **Read the command:** in Matthew 4:10, Jesus says...
2. **Tell the story:** The Philippian Jailer - Acts 16:25-34.
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

- What do we learn about **GOD** from the story?

- What do we learn from the **PEOPLE** in the story?

- Is there anything from the story Jesus wants us to **OBEY**?

Practice

**Retell the story.**

Explore more (optional)

1. **Sing!** Read Ephesians 5:18-21, Colossians 3:16-17 - We should express worship by singing to God with thankful hearts.
2. **Trials and temptations:** Read James 1 - God uses difficult trials to make us more like Jesus. He never tempts us.
3. **WHO should be baptised?** Read Acts 2:38 - Everyone who repents and believes.
4. **Soils:** Read Luke 8:4-15 - The seed on good soil who perseveres is stands for the one who holds fast to the Gospel in a good and honest heart.

Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

Pray & go commission

**Pray and ask God for His power to help you:**

- **OBEY** Jesus and His commands.
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# THE LORD'S SUPPER



## Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

## Loving accountability

Give an account of your obedience to your "Fish & Follow" goals in the last month (Mark 1:17).

## Vision

Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



## Scripture

- 1. Read the command:** in Matthew 26:26-28, Jesus says....
- 2. Tell the story:** Jesus' Last Supper – Luke 22:7-20.
- 3. Read the story aloud.**
- 4. Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:
 

– What do we learn about <b>GOD</b> from the story?	– What do we learn from the <b>PEOPLE</b> in the story?	– Is there anything from the story Jesus wants us to <b>OBEY</b> ?
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## Practice

**Retell the story.**

## Explore more (optional)

- 1. WHAT is the Lord's Supper?** Read 1 Corinthians 11:26 – A symbol of the Lord's death.
- 2. WHY do we eat the Lord's Supper?** Read 1 Corinthians 11:26 – His body was broken and His blood was spilt.
- 3. HOW do we receive the Lord's Supper?** Read 1 Corinthians 11:27-29 – We must examine ourselves, confess our sins to God and remember Jesus died to give us forgiveness.
- 4. WHO should receive the Lord's Supper?** Read Acts 2:42, 1 Corinthians 11:27-29 – Baptised disciples devoted to Jesus.

## Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?  
**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

## Pray & go commission

- Pray and ask God for His power to help you:**
- **OBEY** Jesus and His commands.
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## 09 COMMAND OF CHRIST

# GIVE GENEROUSLY



### Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

### Loving accountability

Give an account of your obedience to your "Fish & Follow" goals in the last month (Mark 1:17).

### Vision

Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



### Scripture

1. **Read the command:** in Matthew 6:1-4, Jesus says....
2. **Tell the story:** The Widow Gives – read Mark 12:41-44.
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

– What do we learn about **GOD** from the story?

– What do we learn from the **PEOPLE** in the story?

– Is there anything from the story Jesus wants us to **OBEY**?

### Practice

**Retell the story.**

### Explore more (optional)

1. **WHAT should we 'give' to God?** Our money, time and our lives.
2. **WHY should we give to God?** Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 – God loves a cheerful giver.
3. **HOW do we give to God?** Read 2 Corinthians 9:7 - Cheerfully, not under compulsion, and Matthew 6:1-4 – Secretly, not for recognition.
4. **WHO do we give to?** Read Acts 4:34-35 – The church gave to all who had need.  
UP= Gospel movement  
IN= Church needs  
OUT= Community needs

### Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

### Pray & go commission

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# 10 COMMAND OF CHRIST

## GATHER WITH BELIEVERS



### Care

"How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).

### Loving accountability

Give an account of your obedience to your "Fish & Follow" goals in the last month (Mark 1:17).

### Vision

Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



### Scripture

1. **Read the command:** in Hebrews 10:24-25, Jesus says...
2. **Tell the story:** The First Church – read Acts 2:36-47.
3. **Read the story aloud.**
4. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:

– What do we learn about **GOD** from the story?

– What do we learn from the **PEOPLE** in the story?

– Is there anything from the story Jesus wants us to **OBEY**?

### Practice

**Retell the story.**

### Explore more (optional)

1. **WHO is the 'church'?** Read Acts 2:41 – Baptised believers in Jesus.
2. **WHAT does a church gathering do?** Read Acts 2:36-41 – see church circle functions.
3. **WHEN does a church gather?** Read Acts 2:46, Hebrews 10:24-25 – Regularly.
4. **WHERE does a church gather?** Read Acts 2:46, 5:42, 17:5-7, 18:7, 19:9, 20:20; Romans 16:1-5; 1 Corinthians 16:19; Colossians 4:15; Philemon 1:1-2 – Homes.
5. **WHY does the church gather?** Read 1 Corinthians 10:31, Hebrews 10:24-25 –Glorify God, encourage, and hold one another accountable.

### Set goals

**Fish:** Who will you share with this week?

**Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

### Pray & go commission

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# 11 COMMAND OF CHRIST

## BEGIN LONG-TERM DISCIPLESHIP



- Care** "How are you doing?"  
(Share brief update, listen, pray, encourage).
- Loving accountability** Give an account of your obedience to your "Fish & Follow" goals in the last month (Mark 1:17).
- Vision** Read Acts 2:36-47 and draw church circle to cast the vision for a healthy church (p15).



- Scripture**
1. **Read the scripture aloud:** Mark 1:1-8.
  2. **Read the scripture to yourself several times:** Mark 1:1-8.
  3. **Discover:** Pray, then use the Bible discovery questions along with the "S.P.E.C." method below to discuss the story and reveal its meaning for our lives:
    - What does this passage say about God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)?
    - What do we learn from the people in this passage?
    - S.P.E.C. asks: Is there a...
      - SIN** to avoid?
      - PROMISE** to claim?
      - EXAMPLE** to follow?
      - COMMAND** to obey?

- Practice** 3 Circles, 15-second testimony, or retelling one of the previous 9 stories

- Set goals**
- Fish:** Who will you share with this week?
- Follow:** What from today's lesson does Jesus want you to obey this week?

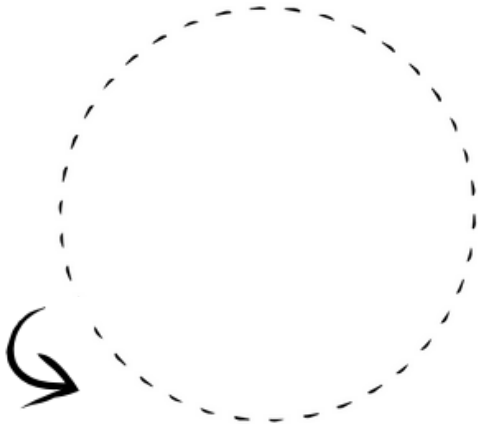
- Pray & go commission**
- Pray and ask God for His power to help you:**
- **OBEY** Jesus and His commands.
  - **ABIDE** in Christ daily by spending time with Him.
  - **SHARE** the Gospel to people in your OIKOS.
  - **CARE** for those in need around you with love.

*Pray as the Lord directs you to, but remember to continue praying for boldness and wisdom to share the Gospel and make disciples. Also continue praying for all those who are far from God on your relationship map. Pray for 4th generation disciples and churches. Pray for labourers. Pray God would accomplish His mission in and through your gathering until there is #NoPlaceLeft and Christ returns.*

# THE CHURCH CIRCLE

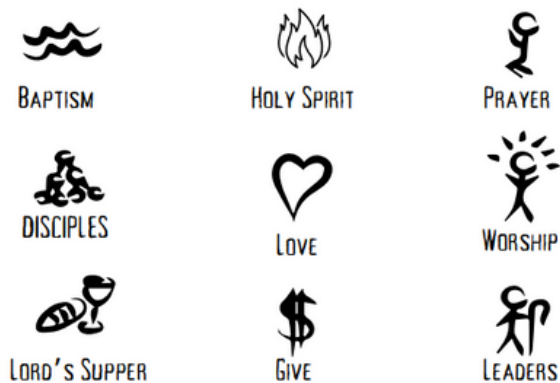


- 1 Draw a dashed circle. This dashed circle represents a gathering of believers.



The arrow represents Jesus' command to Repent & Believe. Most draw it outside the circle because this is how one begins a growing relationship with Jesus and is biblically part of His Church.

- 2 These symbols represent the basic functions of a healthy disciple and church we see in Acts 2:36-47. Some of these functions have already been studied in the lessons, others have simply been practiced week to week without studying a specific lesson on a function (ex. God's Word, Worship).



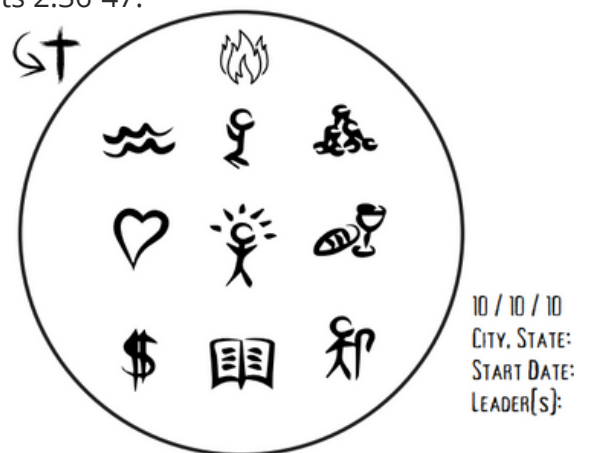
Ongoing discipleship using the 3rds model using other verses in the Bible starting in the Gospel of Mark.

- 3 Draw each of the functions which your gathering is consistently practicing inside the circle. Draw the functions which your gathering has not yet practiced outside the circle.



In this example above, the gathering has practiced some very important functions of a church. However, there are a few functions that have yet to be practiced. If your church has yet to practice all the functions, make an action plan to begin practicing them today.

- 4 If a gathering has identified itself as a "church", then you may make the dashed line solid. The goal is to have a church become healthy and practicing all the functions as modeled by the New Testament Church in Acts 2:36-47.



10 / 10 / 10  
CITY, STATE:  
START DATE:  
LEADER(S):

Also, for record keeping it will be helpful to identify: # of Attendees / # of Believers / # of Baptised  
You may also wish to record the location, start date and leader(s).

# COMMANDS OF CHRIST OVERVIEW



## 1) REPENT & BELIEVE

- Command: Mark 1:15
- Story: Luke 19:1-10 (Zacchaeus) or Luke 7:36-50 (The Sinful Woman)
- Additional: Romans 3:23, 6:23 & 10:9-10



## 2) BE BAPTISED

- Command: Matthew 28:19
- Story: Acts 8:26-39 (Philip & the New Believer)
- Additional: Romans 6:3-4 Matthew 3:13-16, Acts 2:38



## 3) ASK FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Command: Acts 1:4-5
- Story: Acts 19:1-7 (Paul and the Disciples in Ephesus who hadn't received the Holy Spirit)
- Additional: John 14:26, John 7:38



## 4) PRAY

- Command: Matthew 6:9-13
- Story: Matthew 6:5-15 (Jesus Teaches About Prayer)
- Additional: Luke 10:2



## 5) GO...MAKE DISCIPLES

- Command: Matthew 28:19-20
- Story: John 4:4-42 (Samaritan Woman at the Well)
- Additional: Luke 10:1-11



## 6) LOVE

- Command: Matthew 22:37-39
- Story: Luke 10:25-37 (Good Samaritan)
- Additional: John 15:13, 1 Corinthians 13, John 13:34-35, Matt. 22:37-39, John 14:15, 21:17



## 7) WORSHIP THROUGH PERSEVERANCE

- Command: Matthew 4:10
- Story: Acts 16:25-34
- Additional: Ephesians 5:18-21, Colossians 3:16-17, James 1, Luke 8:4-15



## 8) LORD'S SUPPER

- Command: Luke 22:19-20
- Story: Luke 22:7-20 + 1 Corinthians 11:23-29
- Additional: Acts 2:42



## 9) GIVE

- Command: Matthew 6:1-4
- Story: Mark 12:41-44 (The Widow Gives)
- Additional: 2 Corinthians 9:6-7, Matthew 6:1-4, Acts 4:34-35



## 10) GATHER

- Command: Hebrews 10:24-25
- Story: Acts 2:36-447 (The First Church)
- Additional: Acts 5:42, Acts 17:5-7, Acts 18:7, Acts 19:9, Acts 20:20; Romans 16:1-5; 1 Corinthians 16:19; Colossians 4:15; Philemon 1:1-2; 1 Corinthians 10:31



## 11) BEGIN LONG TERM DISCIPLESHIP

- Gospel of Mark
- Continue 3/3's meeting format w/ Discovery / S.P.E.C. Questions



BIBLE STUDY  
GUIDE

# THE 4 GOSPELS

*For ongoing discipleship*



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## Starting with Mark...

- |           |                  |                   |                   |
|-----------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1) Mark 1 | 7) Mark 6:33-56  | 13) Mark 10:32-52 | 19) Mark 14:53-72 |
| 2) Mark 2 | 8) Mark 7        | 14) Mark 11       | 20) Mark 15       |
| 3) Mark 3 | 9) Mark 8        | 15) Mark 12       | 21) Mark 16       |
| 4) Mark 4 | 10) Mark 9:1-29  | 16) Mark 13       |                   |
| 5) Mark 5 | 11) Mark 9:30-50 | 17) Mark 14:1-31  |                   |
| 6) Mark 6 | 12) Mark 10:1-31 | 18) Mark 14:32-52 |                   |

Once you have finished the Gospel of Mark, use the Discovery Bible Method (DBS) to explore the Gospels of Matthew, Luke and John. You can use also use the DBS method to study other books of the Bible. The Harvest has also developed curriculum cards that cover various topics Jesus covered such as forgiveness, humility and the cost of discipleship.



### Look back

- 1) CARE
- 2) WORSHIP
- 3) LOVING ACCOUNTABILITY
- 4) VISION



### Look up

- 5) NEW LESSONS
- 6) PRACTICE



### Look forward

- 7) SET GOALS
- 8) COMMISSION (PRAY)



DISCOVERY  
TOOL

# WATER & HOLY SPIRIT BAPTISM

*2 baptisms discovery tool*



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# INTRODUCTION

*For the Group Leader*



Welcome to the 2 Baptisms Discovery Tool. This tool has been created to assist new and unbaptised believers to understand what the Bible says about water baptism and the Holy Spirit. The Commands of Christ study in this handbook has been updated to include a study on the Holy Spirit as there may be questions or discussions that arise coming from the Discovery Bible Study sessions.

This material can be used individually if necessary, but we recommend going through it with a new disciple.

For information on how to structure a group session, please refer to the Three-Thirds method mentioned on page 31. It is important not to forget to include care, loving accountability, prayer, worship etc. in your time together.



# JESUS SAID WE MUST BE BORN AGAIN

"Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit."

**Jesus Christ - John 3:5**



## WATER BAPTISM

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

**Jesus Christ - Matthew 28:19-20**



## HOLY SPIRIT BAPTISM

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

**Jesus Christ - Matthew 28:19-20**

**JESUS SPOKE OF 2 BAPTISMS.  
HAVE YOU HAD BOTH?**





# BAPTISM IN WATER BY FULL IMMERSION

## Overview

A major barrier to a healthy discipleship movement in today's church is the timing and authority limitations concerning how long new disciples must wait to be baptised and who may baptise them. Use this tool to teach the biblical foundation for these answers. In these ten Bible stories, you will witness the same pattern:

1. **Hear the gospel.**
2. **Believe in Jesus.**
3. **Confess Jesus as Lord.**
4. **Repent from sin.**
5. **Be baptised IMMEDIATELY.**
6. **Receive the Holy Spirit with an overflow.**

Outbursts of tongues, prophecy and praises to God were all listed in the Book of Acts:

- (1) **Acts 2:41:** 3,000 baptised in one day after confession of faith.
- (2) **Acts 8:6-13:** Samaritans, former demon-possessed/sorcerer/sick.
- (3) **Acts 8:36-38:** Ethiopian eunuch traveling on road.
- (4) **Acts 9:18-19:** Saul's baptism.
- (5) **Acts 10:47-48:** Gentiles, Peter commanded Jews not to wait.
- (6) **Acts 16:13-15:** Women by the riverside.
- (7) **Acts 16:33:** Roman jailer and family.
- (8) **Acts 18:8:** Ruler of synagogue, family and many believers in Corinth.
- (9) **Acts 19:1-5:** John's baptism is not enough.
- (10) **Acts 22:14-17:** Why are you waiting? (Ananias speaking to Saul).

## Discovery questions

- **Why** did they baptise?
- **Who** did the baptism?
- **When** did they baptise?
- **Where** did they baptise?
- **How** did they baptise?

# BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT & FIRE



## Overview

Many people who follow Jesus repent, believe and get baptised in water but they end up missing the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit was clearly evident in the book of Acts because there was an overflow of the Holy Spirit with tongues, prophecy and praises of God. Many people who have faith in Jesus and follow him lack the power of God because they have not yet received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and many people presume that happens immediately on faith and repentance.

### Read Acts 19:2

And he said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?”  
And they said, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.”

Further readings for discussion:

- (1) **Acts 2:1-4:** 120 believers were filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues.
- (2) **Acts 8:16-25:** Holy Spirit not poured out, so they laid hands on them. The Holy Spirit was externally evident to Simon the sorcerer.
- (3) **Acts 10:44:** The Holy Spirit fell on the Gentiles and they spoke in tongues and praised God.
- (4) **Acts 19:1-2:** Believers had not yet received the Holy Spirit, they prayed to receive the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues and prophesied.

## Discovery questions

- **Why** did they receive the Holy Spirit?
- **Who** received the Holy Spirit?
- **When** did they receive the Holy Spirit?
- **Where** did they receive the Holy Spirit?
- **How** did they receive the Holy Spirit?

# TEAM REPORTING & TESTIMONIES

*Doing mission together*



## God's kingdom power

**Pray for people in your local region for the Kingdom of God to come.**

**Individual focus:** Pray for people and regions and speak blessing over them.

**Team Focus:** Gather and pray in a location together to prayer walk. Offer prayer if you meet a person of peace.



## Gospel shares – repent and believe

**Share the Gospel daily or when running specific outreaches like a person of peace search.**

**Individual focus:** Share the Gospel with someone in your Oikos.

**Team Focus:** Gather and go into the Harvest to share the Gospel.



## New discipleship group starts

**Start news groups starting week the Commands of Christ series and/or ongoing discipleship.**

**Individual focus:** Find new disciple makers to train.

**Team Focus:** Split group into two.



## Water & Holy Spirit fire baptisms

**Baptise people and pray for them to be filled with the Holy Spirit**

**Individual focus:** Ask new believers if they want to be baptised in Water and the Holy Spirit.

**Team Focus:** Organise a WATER & FIRE baptism gathering at the beach.

**SUBMIT  
REPORT**

<https://theharvest.network/reports/>



It has been with much excitement and anticipation that we have gathered these resources to help you to make and grow disciples.

## A PRAYER FOR THE HARVEST

*Dear Heavenly Father,*

*Thank you so much for the blessings brought to us through Jesus' death on our behalf.*

*We pray for the feet of those who spread your gospel.*

*May they be fast to find the Person of Peace. For those who hear the gospel, we pray that you would grant them open hearts to receive your message of truth.*

*We pray for every new believer who is disciplined using this material that you would help them to come to fully understand their role in obedience to you.*

*We pray that you would empower us all to be seekers, doers and speakers of your truth.*

*May all we do be to your glory!*

*In Jesus' name. Amen.*

PS. We would love to be able to keep a track of the ways that God has worked mightily around the world through these resources.

