

PREPARING FOR SMALL GROUPS

As you work through the studies in preparation for camp, this reflective approach might give you deeper understanding. You may find it useful in partnership with the speaker's notes and questions.



Pray	<p>Talk and listen to God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ask God to teach, correct and train you in His way (2 Timothy 3:16) - Ask God to help you understand (Psalm 119:13) - Ask that God's word will be living and active in your life (Hebrews 4:12) and that He'll show you how to put His word into practice (Luke 11:28) - Allow time and space for God to speak to you
Perspective	<p>Context</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand the background of the passage (the setting, perspective, circumstances) - Become familiar with what comes before and after the passage - Read the passage slowly, repeatedly, aloud, in two or three translations
Picture	<p>Imagine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Put yourself into the story - what do you see, hear, smell, taste or touch? - Who is in the story, what is happening with them? What are they be thinking and feeling? - If you were Jesus in this story what would you be thinking and feeling?
Ponder	<p>Reflect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What do you learn about the Holy Spirit, God and/or Jesus? - What is the main point? What was God saying to the people this was written to? - What understanding do you get into your life? - Try and put the passage in your own words. - Choose a key verse – memorise it, put it on your wall or in your wallet
Practice	<p>Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What does Jesus ask of you today – in thought, speech or action? - How can you use what you learnt to become more like Jesus? - What will you do because of what you learnt from this passage?
Pray	<p>Talk and listen to God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thank God for who he is - Acknowledge and ask for forgiveness of any sin that has been shown to you - Ask God to help you put what He's shown you into practice - Allow time and space for God to speak to you