






COMMUNITY GUIDE

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WEEKLY APPLICATION

TAKEAWAY: “I can faithfully follow Jesus in a world where being a Christian isn’t normal”

HEAD CHANGE: The Bible can be trusted based on historical evidence.

HEART CHANGE: The Bible can be trusted personally.

LIFE CHANGE: Wrestle with your questions about the Bible in a community of healthy Jesus-followers.

OVERVIEW

Trusting the Bible in an age of Skepticism

“At the heart of all the confusion about the Bible is a misunderstanding of what the Bible actually is and how it is unlike most any other book you will read.” - **Dan Kimball** *“How Not to Read the Bible”*

As we continue our series on following Jesus in a post-Christian world, we need to understand the Bible. For many of us, the very thing that is meant to strengthen our faith, the Bible, has become a deterrent to understanding faith. However, it doesn’t have to be that way.

“Then Jesus took them through the writings of Moses and all the prophets, explaining from all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.”

-Luke 24:27 (NLT) -

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you in this teaching and why?
2. What does reading the Bible look like in your life? Why is that?
3. Has the Bible ever been a deterrent to your faith? Has it ever strengthened your faith? Can you share why either of those have been true?
4. What are some things you grew up understanding about the Bible that haven’t been helpful to truly understanding it? How has this teaching helped you to understand the Bible better?
5. Have you considered joining Alpha?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Father, thank you for caring for and loving me even when my faith in you wavers. Help us to become a people, a church, that makes Jesus our Lord. We ask for a sweeping renewal of the Holy Spirit in our lives, families, schools, and city. Holy Spirit, would you stir within us a desire to be with you in prayer and help us serve God, one another, and our neighbor in love. In Jesus’ name, amen.

IN THIS TOGETHER!