

T H E B O O K O F

EXODUS

LEADER PREP

MAIN POINT

The Bible isn't just a book we read, it's the Word of God that transforms our lives.

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIV
Exodus 3:7-10 NIV

GOAL OF SMALL GROUP

To help students see that the Bible isn't as intimidating as it may seem. It's actually the Word of God given to us to help transform our lives.

THINK ABOUT THIS

Leaders, most likely your students are in various places in their comfortability and practice of reading their Bibles on their own. To some, this may be familiar while for others that is a super intimidating thought. Our goal through this series is to give all students practical tools to study their Bible. Your MSM campus pastor will connect you with one or more Exodus devotionals for you to encourage your students to read on their own time. How can you all encourage each other as do this next step together a group?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

THE CHECK IN

- How was everyone's week? Share Highs & Lows.
- Someone recap the main point of the message in your own words.
- Honest time, are you more excited or intimidated at the thought of reading the Bible on your own/outside church? How come? *(No answer is wrong here, this is a place to be real).*

THE WORD

- READ 2 Timothy 3:16-17. In your own words, what is this verse saying?
- If the entire Bible is "useful" then that means we should be okay wrestling with the tougher parts of it to learn from them. What do you do when you come across harder Bible verses to understand?

LET'S PRACTICE - BIBLE READING WORKSHOP

- READ Exodus 3:7-10. In your words, what is going on?
- Pass out an index card and a pen to everyone in the group. Have them read the verse by themselves and write out 3 truths this verse says about God and then have them write out why those 3 truths matter. Go around the group to see what everyone learned.

APPLICATION

- Encourage them and explain that reading the Bible can be as simple as the exercise you all just did together.
- DO: Share with your students a possible Exodus devotional to go through together.
- As a small group, how can we encourage each other to read and study Exodus outside of small group time? *(Spend some time on this question, brainstorm texting each other encouragement & reminders, etc).*
- Spend some time here again to really encourage your students and give tips on how to overcome obstacles to read through the Bible on their own.

PRAY

We are going to close in prayer. Any prayer requests?

2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIV

“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, *17* so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

EXODUS 3:7-10 NIV

“The Lord said, “I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. *8* So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. *9* And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. *10* So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt.”

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