

BIBLE STUDY

PACKET

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STEPS TO REACHING AN INDIVIDUAL

STEP 1:

Talk on the phone with one person on your list of desired contacts. This is a casual conversation. You are not bringing up the study group.

STEP 2:

Do a fun activity with the person you called during the week.

STEP 3:

Do something for the person you called that will let the individual know that you care about him/her spiritually-- whether it's a prayer, a simple thing like saying that God will help you, a conversation about God, or talk to him/her about salvation. Let the Holy Spirit lead you to know what and when you should do this.

STEP 4:

Ask your desired contact if they would like to study the Bible with you. Make it very attractive and be positive about it.

If they are interested in having Bible studies, then set up a time that you guys can start for next week. (Refer to the next page)

If they are interested, but *your schedules don't match*, then find out all the times they are available, and pass that information to your team leader.

If they are not interested in having Bible studies, then go back to step 1 with another individual on your list.

STEP 5:

Do the Bible study series provided in this packet.

STEP 6:

When you finish all 9 lessons and if they desire to be baptized, then pass the information along to your team leader.

STEP 7:

Follow up with the individual. Check up on a regular basis to see how he/she is doing spiritually.

Once you have completed all the steps, repeat all the steps with another person from your list.

Bible Study Sessions

Choose a location. You want this to be in a place that is easily assessable. This can be in your home, the other person's home, conference room, classroom, restaurant, or even at church on Saturdays. The most important thing is where the other person feel most comfortable.

Choose a day and time. Set up a day and time that works for both your schedules. It would be easiest if the days and time remain consistent, but also be willing to be flexible. Also agree as to how long the Bible Studies will be. Your Bible Studies are to be 1-1.5 hours. Try your best not to go over the agreed upon time.

Call as a reminder. Even if you think they will remember to come on their own, a phone call will also serve to encourage the individual to come.

Be early to pray. You want to be there early to use the time to relax and pray before the individual arrives. Prayer is power. If the Bible Study is at the person's home, still arrive early and use what time you have before the agreed upon time to pray before you enter the home.

Checking Up Time. Spend 5-10 minutes asking how the week went for the individual. Just get to know the person.

Prayer. Take some time to pray for any requests or thanksgiving that the person may have.

Bible Study. When you lead out the Bible Study, use the methods outlined in this packet. (Refer to the next page)

Nothing is carved in stone. Adjust when necessary to suit your group of people.

Meeting Schedule

(5-10 minutes)	Checking Up Time
(1-3 minutes)	Prayer Requests and Thanksgiving
(45-60 minutes)	Bible Study
(2-5 minutes)	Closing Prayer

For a detailed explanation, please refer to Bible Study Group Sessions on the next page.

Bible Study Topics

State of the Dead
Salvation
Law & Grace
Sabbath
Second Coming
Baptism
1000 years and Hell
Health
Tithe & Offering

Suggested Resource Material*

Are The Dead Really Dead?
Rescue from Above
Written in Stone!
The Lost Day of History
The Ultimate Deliverance
Purity & Power!
1000 Years of Peace / Is The Devil In Charge Of Hell?
God's Free Health Plan
In God we trust?

*Amazing Facts Study Guides: You can access these online by searching on google for... "amazing facts study guides"

Principles to remember:

- **The Bible study will be as enthusiastic as you are.** If you are dull, the Bible study will feel dull. If you are excited, the Bible study will be excited. Show your happiness and appreciation when someone participates. This will encourage them to participate more.
- **Questions are encouraged.** Show appreciation for questions asked. For a detailed way of responding to questions, please refer to "Dealing With Questions".

Leading A Bible Study

Scriptures

Ask the individual to read the passage of scripture that is outlined on your page.

Restate the passage in your own words. You are not interpreting the passage, just restating it.

Questions

Ask the individual the question that is outlined on your page. If someone is having a hard time answering, restate your question in a simpler way.

There are two types of questions here...

Factual Question: (These are the questions that are in bold.) They have a specific answer that you are looking for, based on the passage of scripture that is coupled with it.

If they get the question correct compliment them.

If they get the question wrong remain positive. Point them back to the passage and help them find the answer. If after a while they can't find the answer, then tell the answer. (The answers are found in regular type.)

Open-Ended Question: (These are the questions that are in bold italics.) These questions have don't have any particular right or wrong answer. It is based on the person's opinion.

Restate the persons answer in your own words. You are not interpreting their answer, just restating it. If they gave a long answer, give a summary of what they said.

Make a transition. After the questions, make a statement that will lead into the next passage.

Make a conclusion. Emphasize the good things that you guys have talked about in order to make a concluding thought to leave them with.

Ask a closing rhetorical question. This question is the appeal of your study. You want it to be personal. During this time, you want to call for a decision for the Lord.

Close with prayer.

Dealing with Questions

If someone asks you a question, restate their question in your own words in order to make sure you understand it.

- If the question is not appropriate for this week's study...
 - Tell the person that, that question will be covered in a later time.
- If the question is appropriate for this week's study...
 - Try your best to answer the question if you can. In order to prepare for possible questions, review the "Thought Questions" in your Amazing Facts Study guides
 - If you don't know the answer, say that you do not know, but will look into that and provide an answer next week.

State of the Dead

Is there such thing as a ghost?

Ecclesiastes 9:5-6, 10

Job 14:10-12

No. When people die, they are fully dead.

Revelation 16:14

2 Corinthians 11:14

How is the Devil able to deceive people into thinking they see a ghost?

The devil is able to perform miracles and change his appearance. Therefore, it is possible that he can make himself appear as though he is a dead love one.

Do we go to heaven when we die?

Psalms 115:17-18

No. If those who died went to heaven, the first thing they would do would be to praise God. Yet the Bible says they do not.

Acts 2:29, 34

When people die, where do they go?

To the grave

Genesis 2:7

What is a soul?

A person. A soul is not some spirit that lives inside us. We are the soul.

Is a soul immortal?

Ezekiel 18:20

No. If we sin, we will die.

Is there life after death?

1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

Yes. When Jesus returns, He will resurrect those who are righteous. And they will live forever

How is this good news?

Are you willing to give your life to Jesus, so that one day, you will be resurrected?

Salvation

John 3:3-5

In order to enter into heaven, what are the two things we need to do?

Be born of water & be born of the Spirit

Romans 6:3

How is our baptism connected to Jesus?

vs 4 – 5

What are the parallels that we see between baptism and Jesus?

What are the parallels that we see between baptism and death?

Jesus died on the cross

You must die to self and sin

Jesus was buried in the tomb

You must be buried in the watery grave of Baptism

Jesus resurrected from the tomb

You must come up out of the water and live a new life

vs 6 – 7

What are the blessings that come from being crucified with Christ?

What does it mean to die?

A Physically Dead Man

Does a dead man make decisions ?

No

Does a dead man solve problems ?

No

Does a dead man fight temptation ?

No

Is a dead man in control of his life ?

No

Does a dead man live ?

No

A Spiritually Dead Man

A spiritually dead man doesn't make decisions.

God makes the decisions.

A spiritually dead man doesn't solve their problems.

God solves their problems.

A spiritually dead man doesn't fight temptation.

God fights the temptations.

A spiritually dead isn't in control of his life.

God is in control of his life.

A spiritually dead man doesn't live.

God lives in and through him.

Galatians 2:20

If we are not living, who is living?

Jesus Christ

How is Jesus living in us?

By us putting our trust in Him.

We trust Him to live our life, by leading us in every way.

John 14:10

How did Jesus go about His ministry according to this verse?

The Father did the works through Jesus.

He did this as example of how we can live our lives

1 Corinthians 15:31

How often should we die to self?

Every day

Are you willing to give your life to God right now?

[Have a silent prayer of surrender individually for 3 (or more) minutes and then you pray to close.]

Law

Ephesians 2:8-9

What is the gift of God?

Salvation

Why is salvation considered a gift?

Romans 6:15; 7:7

We have grace, so why is it that we shouldn't sin?

How does the law point out sin?

Exodus 20:1-17

[After each commandment ask the following two questions]:

What commandment is specified here?

Why is this commandment important?

Give us an example from your life where keeping one of these commandments proved to be a blessing in your life.

Proverbs 29:18

How does the law make us happy?

John 14:15

What should be the reason in keeping the law?

Because we love God

Are you willing to keep God's law?

Sabbath

Genesis 2:1-3

According to this passage, which day did God make holy?

The Seventh-day

Why did God rest on the seventh-day?

How can we rest on the seventh-day?

Exodus 20:1-2, 8-11

What is the reason given in this passage that the seventh-day is the Sabbath?

God rested from His work of creation.

Why would God make Sabbath observance part of His commandments?

Why shouldn't one do work on the Sabbath?

Exodus 31:13

What is the Sabbath a sign of?

God is our Lord who sanctifies us. In other words, he sets us apart.

How is the Sabbath a sign that we are set apart from the world?

Isaiah 58:13-14

How is the Sabbath a delight?

What are ways, according to this passage, that one breaks the Sabbath?

Doing your own pleasure, doing your own thing, or speaking idle words.

What are some ways that we can keep the Sabbath?

John 14:15

What do we do as a result of our love for God?

Keep His commandments

Why is love important when it comes to keeping the Sabbath?

How does love and obedience work together?

Are you willing to start keeping the seventh-day Sabbath holy?

Baptism

Ephesians 4:5

How many types of baptism are there?

One true baptism

Mark 1:9-10

How was Jesus baptized?

By being dipped into the water and coming up out of the water.

Acts 2:41, 47

Being baptized makes you a member of which group?

God's church.

John 10:15-18

How many groups does Jesus have?

One. He has one fold, or in other words, one church.

Why did Jesus die for us?

Revelation 14:12

Who are God's true people that make up His church in which we are baptized into?

Those who keep God's commandments and have faith.

Romans 6:3-7

Galatians 2:20

What is the spiritual meaning of baptism?

This when you sacrifice your life for God. You die in a spiritual sense. Just like a dead person doesn't live, you don't live your life anymore, but you let Christ live it for you. This happens by putting your trust in God to lead you through your life. Just like how you bury someone when they die, we are buried in the water, to show that we have died. Then we come up out of the water, showing that a new person has been resurrected. A person who allows God to live His life through them.

Are you willing to give your life to God, through baptism?

Second Coming

Revelation 1:7

Is Christ return secret? Why or why not?

No, because everyone will see Him.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

Why is death compared to a sleep?

1 Corinthians 15:51-53

What will happen to those who are righteous who are still alive when Jesus returns?

Their bodies will change into perfect bodies.

2 Thessalonians 2:1-8

What will happen to those who are wicked who are still alive when Jesus returns?

They will die

Matthew 24:3-14, 21-33, 36-44

When will Jesus return?

No one know exactly when. However, we know it will be soon, because of the signs mentioned.

Romans 6:23

How does one become ready for Jesus' return?

By simply accepting Jesus' free gift of life.

Are you willing to accept His gift of eternal life?

Health

3 John 1:2

Why is health important to God?

Leviticus 11:1-8

Which types of land animals are considered clean?

Land animals that chew the cud and have split hooves.

vs 9-12

Which types of sea creates are considered clean?

Fish that have fins and scales.

vs 13-19

Which types of birds are considered unclean?

Birds of prey

vs 20-23

Which types of insects are considered clean?

Jumping insects

Why does God specify which foods are considered clean and unclean?

Genesis 7:1-2

Was the food laws only for the Jews?

No, they existed from the first time God allowed meat to be eaten.

Noah was the father of all nations.

Proverbs 20:1

Proverbs 23:29-35

Why does the Bible speak against alcoholic beverages?

James 4:7

How do we overcome temptation?

First we submit ourselves to God.

Then we resist the devils temptations.

The result is that the devil with his temptation will flee.

There isn't a struggle. Just merely a victory, because of Jesus.

Are you willing to follow God's health plan?

Tithe and Offering

Deuteronomy 8:17-18

Why is it that sometimes we feel that we are the reason that we have the money that we have?

Why is it important to remember that God is the reason behind our wealth?

How does this mentality affect us?

Luke 16:10-13

How are earthly riches and heavenly riches connected?

How can you serve God, and keep a balanced checkbook?

What is a tithe?

Num 18:21

A tenth (10 percent).

During the time of Israel, the priests' only means of income was to receive a tenth of what everyone else would gain throughout the year.

Heb 7:1-4, 8

Is tithing only meant for the Jews?

No. Abraham, who wasn't a Jew, gave tithes.

Who really receives the tithes?

God is the one who receives the tithes.

Why should one give tithes?

Malachi 3:8-10

What is the difference between tithe and offering?

Tithe is a set amount (10% of what you make) that we give to God in order to provide a means for those who are working for the Lord in ministry.

Offering is an additional amount that is given for the needs of the church.

How is one blessed by giving tithe and offering?

How does giving to the Lord show a level of trust?

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

How does one's attitude affect their giving?

Are you willing to trust God by giving as the Lord has asked of you?

Millennium

John 5:28-29

How many resurrections will there be?

Two— The resurrection of life & the resurrection of damnation

Revelation 20:1-3 / 2 Thess 2:8

How is the devil imprisoned?

Because the righteous are in heaven and the wicked are dead. Therefore, he has no one to tempt.

Revelation 20:4 / 1 Cor 6:2-3

What are the righteous doing in heaven during this period of time?

Judging. In other words, they getting their questions answered about those who are lost. They are judging whether or not God's judgment on the wicked was just.

Revelation 20:5-10

How is Satan loosed from his prison?

Because the wicked are resurrected. Therefore, he has someone to tempt.

What does Satan tempt the wicked to do?

To try to overtake the city of God.

What stops the wicked from overtaking the city of God?

Fire comes down and destroys them.

What does it mean when the Bible says "FOREVER"? (vs 10)

Jonah 2:6 / Exodus 21:6

Forever does not mean eternity. It means till the end of a period of time. Sometimes, till the end of one's life.

Revelation 20:11-15

What does God do before He destroys the wicked?

He shows them the works of their life. They can see by their works, why they are condemned.

Revelation 21:1-8

After the wicked are destroyed, what does God create?

God creates a new earth on which God's city rests upon.

Ezekiel 33:11

Are you willing to turn your life over to God?

Desired Contacts

Name	Home Phone	Cell Phone	Address	Email