WHAT IS DBS?

Discovery Bible Study (DBS) is a simple method of reading, reflecting on and responding to Scripture that helps:

- Non-believers to discover what the Bible says about life's big questions.
- Believers to grow in obedience to God's Word.

DBS FORMAT

Discovery Bible Study uses the same simple format for every meeting:

- 1. What are you thankful for?
- 2. What are you stressed about or struggling with?
- 3. Is there anything this group can do to help with those challenges, or is there any other need we can meet together?
- Have 2 people read the Scripture passage out loud, ideally in 2 different translations.
- Have everyone retell it in their own words (let the group help people get it right).
- 4. What does this passage teach us about God?
- 5. What does this passage teach us about people?
- 6. What should you do this week in response to this passage? "I will..."
- 7. Who should you share with this week?

After the first week, each gathering begins with these obedience-based, accountability questions:

- Can anyone remember and share in their own words the passage we applied last week?
- Did you DO what you said you were going to do last week, and did you SHARE with the person you said you would share with?

DBS RESOURCES

Below are links to various Scripture resources for Discovery Bible Study groups to use, some of which have specific themes:

Coronavirus Crisis Series

Hope During the Coronavirus Crisis

6 Discovery Bible Studies for the Crisis

<u>7 Stories of Hope</u> – 7 Discovery Bible Studies

Fear & Love in the Time of Coronavirus – 4 Discovery Bible Studies

Hope During a Pandemic - YouVersion Plan

Overcoming Fear – 12 Discovery Bible Studies

DBS for Leaders on "Why Corona?"

General DBS Series

10 Stories of Hope - 10 Discovery Bible Studies

7 Journeys of the Spiritual Life - Scripture Reading List

Obedience-Based Discipleship - Guide to Discovery Bible Study & 17 Scripture Lessons

Core Discovery Journeys - Spreadsheet

<u>Topical Studies for DBS</u> - Genesis to Jesus; Who Is Jesus?; Men, Women, Marriage, Parenting, Youth, Recovery, etc.

<u>Discovery Journeys</u> – Multiple DBS series (more than one spreadsheet)

<u>Discover App</u> – app available in English, Arabic, Somali, Dari, Pashto, Turkish and Indonesian (página web en Espanol: Descubre a Dios). The English version of the app currently has 6 series: In addition to Creation to Christ; Becoming Disciples; and Training Laborers—there are now 3 special story sets addressing the Covid-19 crisis—Stories of Hope; Signs of John; For Such a Time.