



LEADERS' GUIDE

WARM-UP

We recommend only using 1 or at most 2 of the discussion questions. Think of your group and which questions might be most engaging for them. Use 2 questions if you feel it is helpful, just don't spend so much time on the warm up that you can't get to the application and prayer.

For question #2, if you aren't handing out printouts, you might just list the options, repeat them, then ask for a show of hands on each option.

Again, the purpose here is to get everyone engaged before getting into the Word.

WORD

You or someone you assign can read the whole passage yourself or you can take turns reading one verse apiece. If you have people in your group for whom reading English is a challenge, it's better to assign the reading, otherwise, we encourage group participation.

DISCUSSION

#1 - We suggest discussing the subpoints one at a time. This could lead to some great discussion. No need to try to come to a "right" answer. If this question ends up taking the bulk of your time, feel free to skip directly to APPLICATION question #1.

#5 - This is the best question to lead into an opportunity for people to respond to the gospel. Read through the question then say something like, "Before we answer the question, we might need to consider, what's the difference between 'being saved' and being 'added to the church'?"



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DISCUSSION CONTINUED...

Then share how you got saved and give people an opportunity to get saved or have people share their testimonies of how they got saved and then give an opportunity. You can also highlight church membership through the Growth Track here.

** It's possible that the questions on this guide can lead to negative, critical discussion of the church. As a leader, it may be necessary to guide the discussion back to being constructive and positive as in recalling that we are the church and to look for ways that we can make a difference. Encourage them to personally get involved.*

APPLICATION

As always, look for tangible ways to apply the scripture. Things like concrete steps, clear assignments/actions, and putting down dates and timelines really help.

PRAYER

As always, be sure to include time to pray for each other's needs.