

Small Group Bible Study



1. Describe, compare, and contrast the following forms of Bible study:
 - a. Personal devotion
 - b. Small group
 - c. Corporate worship
2. Describe, compare, and contrast the following Bible study tools:
 - a. Concordance
 - b. Bible commentary
 - c. Bible Dictionary
3. Discuss with a group the ways that Bible study is essential to the development of a Christian lifestyle.
4. Discuss with a group the importance of beginning each small group Bible study with prayer.
5. As a group, and with the guidance of a pastor, elder, or a club staff member, create a detailed list of guidelines for success when participating in a small group Bible study.
6. Discuss with a group how giving a small group Bible study can lead an individual to an effective life-changing experience with God. Role-play or illustrate this change experience.
7. Participate in a small group Bible study for at least three months and attend the majority of meetings/studies held by that group.
8. Based on your experience while participating in your small group, create a poster, drawing, oral presentation, skit, video, or written assessment expressing the benefits of a small group. Describe some of the following features of small group Bible study:
 - a. Provides spiritual support for its members.
 - b. Provides an opening for sharing one's faith / inviting others to the group.
 - c. Builds friendship and community among its members.
 - d. Encourages people to worship as Jesus directed, "in community."
9. At the conclusion of your experience defined in requirement 7, share with someone who was not a member of your small group how these studies have helped you grow as a Christian. Invite them to join your small group, or if your group is becoming too large, multiply it into more small groups.

Skill Level 1

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Small Group Bible Study, Advanced

1. Have the Small Group Bible Study honor.
2. At what point should a small group leader multiply the group into more, smaller groups?
3. What is a good minimum group size? Why should very small groups meet in public places and what constitutes a public place?
4. How should a leader deal with the situation when only one other member shows up for the study?
5. Select a Bible study template that can be used to conduct a small group Bible study series on one of the following topics:
 - a. Bible heroes
 - b. Topics relevant to teen spiritual growth
 - c. Topics that gives spiritual guidance
 - d. How to share Jesus in school, at work, or with friends
 - e. Some of the 28 fundamental beliefs

This is an activity designed for Pathfinders to think freely in a group setting.

6. Develop the study series based on your selected template.
7. Lead a small group Bible study for at least eight sessions using the outline created in the previous requirement.

Skill Level 3

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