



COMMUNITY CURRICULUM GUIDE

A New Resilience - Week 4
Discover the Bible
February 26, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Discover the Bible: Join us as we read through the whole Bible as a church! Our first quarterly on-ramp is **Wednesday, March 1st!** [Find out more and register here.](#)

Alpha: Have questions about faith, life, and God? Alpha is a listening community designed to help participants explore questions in a non-judging space. This 11-week series begins **Thursday, March 9th.** Dinner is provided. [Find out more and register to attend here.](#)

Everyday Carry Men's Retreat: We're hosting a men's retreat at Camp Caraway on April 14th & 15th. [Find out more and register to attend here.](#)

Baptisms: We're hosting baptisms on Easter Sunday, April 9th! [Find out more and sign up here.](#) (There is a required pre-baptism class on Sunday, March 26th between services.)

For more information about our events, check out or download our app! (North Ridge Church Asheboro)

STUDY GUIDE:

OPENING ICEBREAKER ACTIVITY

Growing up, what role did the Bible play in your family and in your upbringing?

GETTING STARTED

What stood out to you in this week's message?

DIGGING DEEPER

What does it mean that the Bible (the Word of God) is bread? How has it "fed" you?

2 After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread." 4 Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" (Matthew 4:2-4 NIV)

What does it mean that the Bible (the Word of God) is a lamp? How has it guided you?

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path. (Psalm 119:105 NIV)

What does it mean that the Bible (the Word of God) is a sword?

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes... 17 the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. (Ephesians 6:10-11,17)

What does it mean that the Bible (the Word of God) is a scalpel? When was the last time God used His word to “do surgery” on you (to change, heal or impact you)?

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12)

WHAT'S NEXT?

Eugene Peterson once wrote, “Christian reading is participatory reading, receiving the words in such a way that they become interior to our lives, the rhythms and images becoming practices of prayer, acts of obedience, ways of love.”

Discuss these questions:

1. What might it look like for you to engage with Scripture more?
2. What has worked for you in the past?
3. What might God be inviting you toward in the coming days and months?
4. What would it look like, practically?
5. How can the community group support each other in this?

CLOSING PRAYER

Read this Scripture out loud:

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Close by praying for your group, that we collectively and individually might be people steeped in God's Word and transformed by God's Word so that we might be God's people to be equipped to do God's work in God's world.

Additional Resources:

• **RightNow Media:** Find an unending supply of resources by signing up for a FREE RightNow Media account. Contact discipleship@northridgenow.org for your free login. (Note: You'll need to login or create an account to view RightNow Media content.)