

Long Term Discipleship
Reading Scripture

I. Member Care (15 minutes)

- i. Member Care
 - a. Open in Prayer. Ask to know Him deeper and to hear Holy Spirit speak and move.
 - b. Share about your week, including highs and lows.

 - ii. Loving Accountability
 - a. How was time in God's Word and time in prayer?
 - b. Did you share with someone this past week?
 - c. Were you obedient to what Jesus called you to?

 - iii. Vision Casting
 - a. Read Matthew 28:18-20. What does disciple making look like?
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II. Study Scripture (30 minutes)

- i. Read Scripture
 - a. Discuss observations and facts that stick out to you.
 - b. Take notes of any repetition, key words, or phrases.
 - c. Identify commands, imperatives, or warnings.

 - ii. Examine Context
 - a. How does the text you read fit into the:
 - Immediate Context (the paragraphs above and below)
 - book of the Bible it's in
 - Epoch (New Testament or Old Testament)
 - Overall storyline of the Bible?

 - iii. Study the Text
 - a. What does the passage tell us about God?
 - b. What does the passage tell us about people?
 - c. Discuss the emotions of the characters in the story.
 - d. How does this make you feel?

 - iv. Seek to Apply
 - a. What from today's passage does Jesus want you to obey this week?
 - b. Who do you know that needs to hear this story?
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III. Equipping (15 minutes)

- i. Practice a tool (Oikos Map, Testimony, 3 Circles, praying Scripture, etc.)
- ii. Close in Prayer