

Beholding His Glory

Leaders' Guide



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These leader guides are tools to help you guide your small group and identify important topics. The answer key located in the appendix offers additional insights; you may find it to be an excellent resource throughout this study.

(Refer to WWP small group workbook for icebreaker suggestions and review honor code before opening in prayer)

INTRODUCTION

- Leader NOTE "In today's lesson we will take a look at shame/guilt/hiding and where it all began in the Garden of Eden."
Invite participants to open their Bibles to the Book of Genesis, chapter 2.
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read paragraphs 5 and 6 that begin with, "What would it feel like to be free..."

DAY ONE Genesis 2 and 3

- Leader ASK Volunteer to read Gen 2:8-9, 16-17, Gen 3:1-6 and quote from Archbishop Fulton Sheen
- Leader ASK Q1, Q2
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud CCC 391 and response to Q3A and 3B
- Group SHARE Q3C and Q4, allowing extra time for discussion for response to Q4
- Leader READ Paragraph above Q5
- Group SHARE Q5, allowing extra time for discussion
- Leader NOTE Invite women to share personal insights from the Quiet Your Heart (QYH) section

DAY TWO Genesis 3:4-13

- Leader ASK Q1, Q2, Q3 (factual), quickly
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read the first paragraph of Q4, 2 Cor 5:21, and Isaiah 53:5
- Leader ASK Q4: "What is the solution?"
- Leader ASK Q5
- Leader READ Last paragraph of QYH

DAY THREE Genesis 3:14-24

- Leader ASK Q1-"What four relationships in Gen 3:14-24 experienced alienation as a consequence of their sin?"
- Leader ASK Q2A, B, C.
- Leader READ Paragraph before Q3, then Q3, asking women to reflect silently on their responses

DAY FOUR Genesis 3:14-24 (continued from Day 3)

- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud CCC 412, 420
- Leader ASK Q1 and Q2, parts A - G, allowing different participants to respond to each part
- Leader READ QYH aloud, inviting participants to underline and share those phrases that speak to them personally.

DAY FIVE Genesis 3:24 and Revelation 2:7, 20:10

- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud Gen 3:24 and Revelation 2:7, and 20:10
- Leader NOTE Read Q1 noting the parallels between Gen 3:24 and Rev 2:7
- Leader ASK Q2
- Leader READ Paragraph before Q3, asking, "What slight and momentary affliction are you currently facing?..."
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud QYH, asking participants to highlight/underline Isaiah 43:1-4.

CONCLUSION

- Group SHARE Messages from conclusion that resonated with them.

VERSE STUDY Hebrews 12:1, walk participants through steps and refer them to the appendix for instructions.

RESOLUTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS

- Leader NOTE Resolutions allow us to apply what we have learned to our daily lives. Encourage participants to commit to a posted resolution or create their own. Resolutions and intentions can be included in the closing prayer.

After lesson, review self-assessment found in your WWP small group leader workbook

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INTRODUCTION

Leader NOTE "This week we will be discussing Noah and how he alone stood out in the crowd." Invite participants to open their Bibles to the book of Genesis.

Leader ASK Volunteer to read from the middle of the third paragraph that begins with, "People at the time of Noah ... "

DAY ONE **Genesis 6:5-13 and Romans 2:19-25**

Leader NOTE "From Genesis 1 to Genesis 6, everything has changed, and we read that God was sorry he created man."

Leader ASK Q1, Q2, A and B quickly (factual questions)

Leader ASK "Looking at Q3, what parallels do you see between Noah's time and the way people live today?"

Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud Q4 and respond, then read the paragraphs that follow.

Leader READ Last two paragraphs of QYH

DAY TWO **Genesis 6:14-22**

Leader ASK Q1, Q2 quickly, asking volunteer to read 1 Corinthians 1:18

Group SHARE Q3, allowing extra time for rich discussion

Leader ASK Volunteer to read Proverbs 29:25, and then respond to Q4

Leader READ QYH aloud, and consider incorporating message into closing prayer.

DAY THREE **Genesis 7:6-23**

Leader NOTE Remind participants that the answer key (show location) is a great resource for additional insights

Leader ASK Q1, making note of CCC1219

Leader ASK Q2, encouraging participants to reflect on their responses silently, not to share

Group SHARE Q3

Leader ASK Participants to bring to mind a loved one brought to faith and read Scripture verses together to pray for them. Leader

ASK To share insights from QYH

DAY FOUR **Genesis 9:1-17**

Leader READ Opening paragraph and then discuss Appendix 4: *Covenants*, relating to Adam/Eve and Noah and his family.

Leader ASK Q1 and Q2, Q3 (factual)

Leader ASK Volunteer to read Genesis 9:13, then respond to Q3 and read paragraph that follows

Leader READ From QYH, "Every time we see a rainbow, we can be reminded that..."

DAY FIVE **Genesis 9:18-29**

Leader ASK Q1 and Q2

Leader READ Commentary following Q2, noting in the last paragraph, "...it's clear that all the sin didn't get washed..."

Leader ASK Q3, sharing CCC1215

Group SHARE Q4

Leader NOTE Encourage women to reflect silently on their responses to Q5, then read Lamentations 3:22-23 aloud

Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud QYH

CONCLUSION

Leader READ Starting with paragraph 2 of the conclusion, "Just as the people swept away in the flood had no idea..."

VERSE STUDY

Leader NOTE Walk participants through steps and refer them to the appendix for instructions.

RESOLUTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS

Leader NOTE Encourage participants to commit to a listed resolution or create their own. Resolutions and prayer intentions can be included in the closing prayer.

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INTRODUCTION

Leader NOTE "Today we are going to discuss what we can learn from the story of Tower of Babel, and how we all want our lives to matter." Ask participants to open their Bibles to Genesis.

Leader ASK Volunteer to read last 3 paragraphs of the introduction

DAY ONE Genesis 10, Genesis 11:1-2

Leader ASK Q1, reminding participants that insights can also be gleaned from answer key in back of study guide

Leader ASK Q2

Leader ASK Q3

Leader ASK Volunteer to read Q4, then ASK participants to share with a partner their reflections for Q4 and 5

Leader ASK Participants to reflect on QYH last paragraph, asking the Holy Spirit to reveal areas of partial obedience.

DAY TWO Genesis 11:1-9

Leader ASK Q1 and Q2 quickly

Leader ASK Volunteers to read paragraphs 1, 3 and 6 after question 2. Then lead group discussion of Q3.

Leader READ Paragraph above Q4, then ASK Q4

Leader READ First two paragraphs of QYH, incorporate prayer into closing prayer at end of session

DAY THREE Genesis 11:4

Leader ASK Volunteer to read Gen 11:4 and discuss Q1

Leader ASK Q2 and then ASK participants to highlight what stood out to them in the paragraphs that follow

Leader ASK Q3, and ask a volunteer to read the paragraphs that follow

Leader READ Q4, asking different women to read each Bible verse

Leader READ QYH first paragraph, then ASK participants to reflect silently on where they long for recognition

DAY FOUR Genesis 11:5-9, Acts 2:1-13, Acts 2:38-41

Leader ASK Q1

Leader NOTE "The follow paragraphs talk about God scattering his people because of their disobedience, but also offering hope, and his promise of gathering his people to himself through all of scripture."

Leader ASK Q2, Q3, Q4

Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud Q5, CCC 767, and CCC 1076 and then answer question

Leader READ Paragraph following Q5

Group SHARE Insights from QYH

DAY FIVE

Leader ASK Q1, asking respondents to read corresponding verse aloud

Leader ASK Volunteer to read CCC757 and the Q2 A, B, C

Leader READ Paragraphs following Q2C

Leader ASK Q3

Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud QYH

CONCLUSION

Leader READ Paragraphs 1 and 3

VERSE STUDY 1 Corinthians 3:11

Leader NOTE If time permits, review the verse study. Refer participants to appendix for instructions

RESOLUTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS

Leader NOTE Encourage participants to commit to a listed resolution or create their own. Incorporate prayer from Day 2 QYH into closing prayer.

Next session will be a Connect Coffee, an opportunity to welcome new women to view a video on a topic related to the study, participate in a discussion and meet other women. Encourage each participant to invite a friend and send an email reminder.

After lesson, review self-assessment found in your WWP small group leader workbook



INTRODUCTION

- Leader NOTE Share with participants that at this session we will be placing ourselves in Joseph's shoes and be reminded that the God who proved faithful to Joseph will not disappoint us. Invite participants to open their Bibles to the book of Genesis.
- Leader ASK Volunteer to summarize the introduction for the group.

DAY ONE Genesis 37 and 39

- Leader ASK Q1, reminding participants that the answer key is a great resource for additional insights
- Leader ASK Q2, ask for volunteers to read Scripture verse and respond
- Group SHARE Q3
- Leader READ Paragraph at Q4, then ask for volunteer to respond
- Group SHARE Q5, response will depend on dynamics of group, allow extra time for deeper discussion
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read first paragraph of QYH, encourage participants to mark Psalm 42 in their Bibles

DAY TWO Genesis 37:23-28

- Leader READ Paragraph above Q1A, Q1B, Q2A
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read CCC 631 and 635 and then respond to Q2B
- Group SHARE Q2C
- Leader READ Paragraph on faith above Q3
- Leader ASK Q3, Q4 (factual), quickly
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud QYH

DAY THREE Genesis 42 and 43

- Leader READ Paragraph above Q1
- Leader ASK Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4
- Group SHARE Q5
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud paragraph following Q5
- Leader NOTE Encourage participants to revisit the QYH during their personal prayer time this week

DAY FOUR Genesis 45:1-15

- Leader READ Opening paragraph for Day Four
- Leader ASK Q1 (factual)
- Leader READ Paragraph following Q1 and footnote, allowing few extra minutes for comments
- Leader ASK Q2 (factual)
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read Q3 aloud, then CCC 312 and then respond
- Leader ASK Q4
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud QYH

DAY FIVE Genesis 50:15-20

- Leader ASK Q1 and Q2
- Leader ASK Volunteers to read alternate paragraphs following response to Q2
- Leader ASK Q3, allow for multiple responses
- Leader ASK Q4 and Q5
- Leader NOTE Encourage participants to revisit the QYH during their personal prayer time this week

CONCLUSION

- Leader ASK Volunteers to read alternate paragraphs of conclusion aloud

VERSE STUDY

RESOLUTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS *Leader NOTE: Resolutions and prayer intentions can be included in the closing prayer.*

INTRODUCTION

- Leader NOTE Share that you will be discussing the freedoms sought by Moses and the freedom that we find through the sacrifices of Jesus Christ. Invite participants to open their Bibles to Exodus.
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read the last 4 paragraphs of the introduction.

DAY ONE**Exodus 2:1-22**

- Leader ASK Q1A and Q1B
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read paragraph about Q2 aloud
- Leader ASK Q2, Q3 and Q4, sharing additional insights from the answer key as needed
- Leader NOTE Ask participants to reflect silently over the questions in Q5
- Leader READ First three paragraphs of QYH, reserving the prayer to be used for closing prayer at the end of session.

DAY TWO**Exodus 3:1-7**

- Leader ASK Volunteer to read Exodus 2:23-24 aloud
- Leader ASK Q1A and 1B
- Group SHARE Q1C, allowing extra time for all to share, if willing
- Leader ASK Q2 (factual, quickly)
- Leader ASK Volunteer to text in Q3 as well as John 18:6, ask for a volunteer to respond to question
- Leader READ Text before Q4 and invite group sharing of "which of these messages give you the greatest comfort..."
- Leader NOTE Encourage participants to reflect on QYH during their personal prayer time this week.

DAY THREE**Exodus 3:18-20**

- Leader ASK Q1A and Q1B (factual)
- Leader ASK Volunteers to read scripture reference and name plagues in Q2A
- Leader NOTE Q2B is for personal reflection, allow a few minutes for women to read over their responses
- Leader ASK Q3 (factual)
- Leader NOTE Read aloud the paragraph at Q4 and then ask volunteer to answer question posed
- Leader ASK Q5, asking volunteer to read aloud scripture verses and respond
- Leader ASK Q6
- Leader READ QYH, allowing a few minutes for all to pray silently

DAY FOUR**Exodus 12:29-31**

- Leader ASK Q1A and Q1B
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read paragraphs at Q2 and respond to Q2, then read paragraph following
- Leader ASK Q3A, Q3B, Q4, Q5
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud QYH

DAY FIVE**Exodus 16**

- Leader ASK Q1, Q2A (factual) quickly
- Group SHARE Q2B, allowing extra time if all participants want to share
- Leader ASK Q3A, Q3B
- Group SHARE Q4
- Leader NOTE Read last 3 paragraphs of QYH and consider organizing group attendance at Adoration

CONCLUSION

- Leader READ Paragraph 6 and 7 of the conclusion. Ask volunteers to read aloud commandments and text following.

VERSE STUDY

- Leader NOTE If time permits, review the verse study for Deuteronomy 30:19-20 with the group

RESOLUTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS

- Leader NOTE Incorporate QYH from Day 1 into the closing prayer.

INTRODUCTION

- Leader NOTE Share that you will be discussing Joshua and how we too can experience the freedom that was promised to the Israelites when we turn from sin. Invite participants to open their Bibles to Joshua.
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read the last 3 paragraphs of the introduction.

DAY ONE Joshua 1:1-11

- Leader ASK Q1, Q2 and Q3, referring to the answer key throughout the lesson for additional insights
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud Q 4 and then 1 Peter 5:8
- Leader ASK Q5A
- Leader ASK Q5B
- Group SHARE Q5C, taking turns reading aloud cited Scripture verses
- Leader NOTE Q6 is personal, not to be shared. Encourage participants to pray over this during the week.
- Leader NOTE Encourage women to highlight words of encouragement they find in the QYH.

DAY TWO Joshua 2

- Leader ASK Q1, Q2, Q3
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read text at Q4, Ephesians 1:7, and then respond
- Group SHARE Q5, move on if no one wants to cite example or share personal experience
- Leader NOTE Incorporate prayer in QYH into closing prayer for this session.

DAY THREE Joshua 4

- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud Joshua 4:1-9 and 23-24
- Leader ASK Q1, Q2, Q3
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud CCC 756 and CCC 851
- Leader READ Paragraph at Q4
- Group SHARE Q4 response, allowing extra time for entire group to share, if desired
- Leader NOTE Point out the Conversion of Heart in the appendix and encourage women to read it alongside QYH

DAY FOUR Joshua 6:1-20

- Leader ASK Q1, Q2, Q3
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud Q4, Colossians 1:21-22, and then respond
- Group SHARE Q5
- Leader ASK Volunteer to read aloud QYH

DAY FIVE Joshua 6:2-27

- Leader ASK Q1 (factual) quickly
- Leader ASK Volunteers to take turns reading paragraphs following Q1
- Leader ASK Q2 and Q3
- Group SHARE Q4
- Leader ASK Volunteers to take turns reading paragraphs of QYH

CONCLUSION

- Leader ASK Participants to share what parts of the conclusion were most meaningful to them. Ask for volunteers to lead a brief discussion, if time permits.

VERSE STUDY

- Leader ASK Volunteer to share her personal application from the verse study of Psalm 103:8-10.

RESOLUTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS

- Leader NOTE Encourage participants to commit to a listed resolution or create their own. Incorporate QYH from Day 1 into the closing prayer.

Remind participants that your next session is a Connect Coffee and your last session; encourage them to invite a friend!