

ALL IN: Week 3 – We Share Openly

Open in Prayer

Welcome/Introductions/Cast Vision

Remind the Grow Group of the ground rules

Share context of the story *[Provide context by sharing the information below.]*

Daniel 2 introduces us to a young boy who has been misplaced in the country of Babylon. While there, God brought him to the attention of King Nebuchenezzar by giving him the ability to interpret the king's dream. Because of this interpretation, Daniel earned a place in the King's court. We then fast forward to Daniel 6 where that young boy has now grown into a mature older man who has remained faithful to God.

Tell the story – Daniel 2 *[Have someone tell the story.]*

Rebuild the story *[Group members tell the story together based on what they remember.]*

Read the story out loud *[Read the scripture passage to see if anything was added or omitted.]*

Discuss these questions:

1. What do we learn about God from this passage? *[God orchestrates every moment of my life with a greater plan in mind; God's glory is displayed when I choose to honor Him; God can provide unexplainable peace in unimaginable circumstances when I am obedient to Him (Philippians 4:6-7); God permits us to go through difficulties that allow us to express our faith in Him; God speaks to us through prayer to reveal Himself, His purposes, and His ways; God uses the disciple surrendered to Him; etc.]*
2. What do we learn about Man/Us from this passage? *[I am often faced with choices to either obey God or obey man; as disciples of Jesus, we can face opposition simply by acting in faith toward God; I complicate my decision-making by not taking my needs to God in prayer; I lack perseverance and feel neglected by the Lord; I can become anxious when I don't immediately see the Lord respond; I can become distracted by the momentary pleasures of this world, missing His will for my life; etc.]*
3. What is God saying to you specifically through this passage as it pertains to your life, marriage, family, and work?
4. In light of what you've learned today, what do you need to do to obey God?

Other Questions specific to this passage:

1. Daniel risked his life to maintain his prayer life with the Lord. What does this teach us about the importance of the time we spend with our Heavenly Father in prayer?
2. From observing you, what would unbelievers determine about your life?

Assign Next week's passage – Daniel 3 *[Ask someone to tell the story next week.]*

Close in Prayer

ALL IN: Week 3 – Leadership Coaching

The purpose of this page is to help you sharpen your skills as a Grow Group leader. Each week, we will include concepts, challenges, and resources designed to assist you as you lead and shepherd your Grow Group and grow as a disciple yourself.

Leading *[learn to facilitate your group more effectively]*

Discipleship must be intentionally focused. It is extremely important that everyone in your Grow Group be disciplined. That being said, we highly encourage you to have one to two people that you are personally discipling and investing in. In Grow Group, this would be a person that you challenge with specific responsibilities. You want to intentionally challenge them to develop as disciple making leaders.

Shepherding *[know the sheep, feed the sheep, lead the sheep, protect the sheep]*

You should be spending time with these two people on a regular basis outside of Grow Group. Because everyone's schedules are different and full, you have to show a little creativity. We encourage you to weave this intentional time into your everyday life when possible. Everyone has to eat. So try to enjoy breakfast, lunch or dinner together. For young mothers, plan a play date or meet during ball practice. For those who try to stay active, plan a run or workout together. It will be unique for every situation. Look for things they like to do and join them.

Developing *[grow as a disciple yourself]*

The Great Commission is often taught from a mission's point of view proclaiming that we must go to the nations, give to missions, and reach the unreached. While this is certainly part of Jesus' command, we must not overlook the full meaning of "make disciples." Making a disciple is not the same as a convert. There are times in which God brings us into a person's life just for the privilege of communicating the Good News of Jesus. Yet, the usual way that the gospel spreads is through investing your life into someone over a period of time. Discipleship is the process of intentionally walking alongside someone to see them grow in their personal relationship with Jesus.

Take a moment to reflect upon your relationships. Who is helping you walk closer with the Lord? Who are you helping to do the same? Ask God to show you ways that you can be more intentional with each of these relationships.