

Bible Discussion Testimonies-Men

The reason I like our bible discussion group is there is no leader. We are all there to learn what our Lord has to tell us. Everyone is different and the Lord speaks to each one of us through his words differently, and we learn from each other. What may confuse one of us may be perfectly clear to another and by sharing we all get a better insight into what our Lord is trying to say to us. We know who the authority is and He speaks to all of us through His words in the bible. I hope this helps. Your brother in Christ, Rod

It has helped to simplify my life and remind me of the importance of staying focused on Jesusall the answers to life's challenges are Jesus! The Bible Discussion has also helped me realize the importance and power of prayer. I feel an enormous amount of peace while praying compared to the distress I experience while judging. I'm so thankful that God loves me so much and keeps working on me every day! Kipp

Jesus is not someone who is watching down on us from outer space somewhere. He is living in the hearts of fellow members of the study. Sharing with new Christians who have never studied Jesus' life helps us to see Him with new eyes. We learn to "keep it simple" focusing only on Jesus for every solution to a problem. Ron

I grew up in a very strict church. I was always on guard because of the expectations that the congregation seemed to place on everybody. Because of that I had walked away from church and religion in the late 1980's and disappeared for over 10 years. I got into alcohol and did some crazy stuff. After meeting my wife Gwen, (also Lutheran) I started going to church again because it was important to her. But I refrained from volunteering and Bible studies because I was nervous and didn't want to show how little I knew after being away for over a decade.

But Moe has always been trying to get me into a Bible study. I was able to duck and dodge him because my work schedule would not fit with any Bible study meeting times. Paul (Men's Ministry Coordinator) and Moe started a study group on a day and time I could no longer dodge. The first time I went I was afraid the guys would see how little I really knew about the Bible. That was never an issue. There are no expectations placed on anybody. There is no test at the end of the week. It's just a group of guys getting together, laughing, talking about what we're up to, sharing advice, and opening the Bible and discussing what pops out at us and how it relates to our lives today. I've actually gotten to the point where I'm disappointed when I miss a meeting due to an appointment, illness, being called in to work, etc. I still have a long way to go. But I also know that God has a plan for all of us. I am far from perfect but I have come a long way. Jeff