### PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY GUIDE

This study companion is intended to aid you in your journey of learning to be independently dependent on God as you fellowship with Him in His Word and prayer. Each week you will focus on the same sermon text (Scripture) from the previous Sunday's sermon. Please visit the website to learn more about how to use each day. www.thebridgemontrose.org/resources

### **KEYS TO SUCCESS**

Pray before and after you read.

- Before pray that the Holy Spirit would open your heart and mind and illuminate the Truth of scripture.
- After pray for clarity of how the Truth of God in Scripture can Transform your mind and life and inform your actions.

Be ok not knowing everything. You can't know what you haven't learned. That's why we are doing this.

Talk to others in your group and ask them the questions you have about what you are reading.

Read relationally - The goal is that we would actually know God, **not just know about Him**. He is a loving Father who has given us His Word for His glory and our good.





### READ

Read Greater Context:

Focus on Sermon Text:
OBSERVATION
What's happening in this passage?
What things are emphasized, repeated, & related?
What do you see about God?
What do you see about man?
Write down any questions you have about the text and make time to discuss them with a friend or group member.



### READ Read Sermon Text: \_\_\_ INTERPRETATION Paraphrase Sermon Text in your own words How do you think the author wants his audience to respond? What do you learn about God's character? Is there a commandment to obey?

What wrong beliefs about God and myself did I have?

Write down any new questions of things you don't understand make time to discuss them with a friend or group member.



# READ Read Sermon Text: \_\_\_\_\_\_ APPLICATION

What false beliefs must I turn from?

What truths do I need to believe?

How do I need to repent?

In light of the Truth in this text, what ways should my life look different?

What can I do, empowered by the Holy Spirit, today to apply this passage? (Now what?) Share this with someone.



## **READ** Read Sermon Text: \_\_\_ **APPLICATION** Write out your prayer as you pray through the text. Pray for continued transformation in the identified areas of application. Write down your prayer. What happened? As you have taken steps of obedience, what in your life has been impacted by those actions?

Now What? What is the very next thing you can do to grow in obedience and continue transforming?



### **READ**

Read Greater Context from Day 1:	
Focus on Sermon Text from Day 1:	
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REFLECT

Pray that God would reveal to you all the work He has don in, through, and around you.

### **RECORD**

Write down what you have noticed and experienced.

### **CELEBRATE**

Identify areas you have found freedom in, relationships that have been reconciled, ways you have gained better understandings of who God is and who you are, etc.

### **SHARE**

Make sure to share all God has done in you with someone in your group/life. John 15:15

### **RESOURCES**

### ONLINE BIBLES

Youversion - www.bible.com

Bible Gateway - www.biblegateway.com

Faithlife Study Bible - https://faithlifebible.com

### DAILY DEVOTIONS

My Utmost for His Highest - http://utmost.org

Spurgeon's Morning and Evening - http://www.spurgeon.org/daily.htm

### **TOPICAL STUDY & QUESTIONS**

Topical Bible - http://www.openbible.info/topics/ Bible Questions Answered - http://gotquestions.org

### DEEPER STUDY/COMMENTARY

Precept Austin - http://preceptaustin.org

Monergism - http://www.monergism.com

Christian Classics Etheral Library - http://www.ccel.org

Blue Letter Bible Study Resources - http://www.blueletterbible.org/study.cfm

### FAITH IN ACTION/OUTREACH/SERVE

The Story - www.viewthestory.com

3 Circles - http://www.namb.net/video/3circlesguide/

### APOLOGETICS HELP (why you believe what you believe)

4Truth.net - http://www.4truth.net

Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry - http://www.carm.org