

LEADER GUIDE

*Finding Hope in God Who Reigns
over Heaven and Earth*

Angels

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Leader Guide

Welcome! Before you read any further, we want to say how thankful we are for you, the leader. Thank you for your willingness to dive into Scripture, brew the coffee, place the chairs, and set aside the time regularly to meet with other women.

Angels is a video- and discussion-based Bible study from Melissa Spoelstra that walks through the Bible examining the presence of angels in Scripture and what they teach us about the Lord of Heaven's Armies. The teaching videos were filmed in front of an audience in Melissa's hometown of Waxahachie, Texas.

Our goal is for this leader guide to help you feel equipped to facilitate and guide your Bible study group gatherings in a way that fosters deep conversation and prayer for you and the women you're leading.

We want to encourage you to use this study however it works best for you and your group. If you want to follow this leader guide to the letter, do that! If you want to do your own thing, feel free! Our goal is to give you all the tools you might need, but we are certain God has ordained your time with your specific group in your specific setting.

We are grateful for you and praying for you as you lead this study.

Lifeway Women

WEEKLY GROUP MEETING

SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

8 Group Meetings • Meeting Length: 1–1.5 hours

SESSION ONE—Distribute Bible study books, get to know one another, and watch the Session One video.

SESSION TWO—Discuss the Session Two personal Bible study and watch the Session Two video.

SESSION THREE—Discuss the Session Three personal Bible study and watch the Session Three video.

SESSION FOUR—Discuss the Session Four personal Bible study and watch the Session Four video.

SESSION FIVE—Discuss the Session Five personal Bible study and watch the Session Five video.

SESSION SIX—Discuss the Session Six personal Bible study and watch the Session Six video.

SESSION SEVEN—Discuss the Session Seven personal Bible study and watch the Session Seven video.

SESSION EIGHT—Discuss the Session Eight personal Bible study and watch the Session Eight video.



HOW TO STRUCTURE YOUR GROUP TIME

Each group session contains the following elements. We've included a suggested amount of time based on a 1.5 hour group meeting. Adjust as you need to for the time you have together!

GATHER (20 MINUTES). This is a time to greet and welcome everyone and to get them talking. You'll notice a list of questions to help participants review the previous week's personal study. Feel free to adapt, skip, or add questions based on the needs of your group.

WATCH (30 MINUTES). During this time play the teaching video, encouraging the women to take notes on the Viewer Guide page for that specific session.

DISCUSS (30 MINUTES). You'll find a suggestion of questions for each week in this Leader Guide. In each session you will guide participants to understand and apply the concepts and principles they have studied during the week. More ideas have been provided than you will have time to use, so choose the activities that will best meet the needs of your participants. As you go through your own study during the week, put a star by any questions or statements you might want to discuss with your group.

CLOSE (10 MINUTES). Brief closing activity ideas and/or prayer prompts have been provided. You can use this however you wish to enhance or close the session.

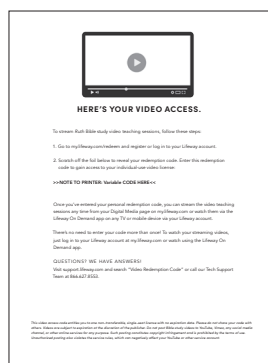
HERE ARE A FEW TIPS
TO HELP YOU LEAD.

HOW TO WATCH YOUR VIDEOS.

The videos for this study are available for streaming through the digital access code on the last page of your Bible study book. Look for the cardstock page labeled **“Here’s Your Video Access”** and follow the two steps that prompt you to enter your unique redemption code to gain your video streaming access.



Each video is intended to be viewed after completing the accompanying week of personal study. We strongly recommend you use the teaching videos as a part of this study, but you can still discover truth from Scripture and grow in your walk with God by simply doing the print portion if your setting doesn't allow for video.



GET THE WORD OUT. Be sure to advertise the study early and utilize all methods for getting the word out. Post it on your church's website, send emails to potential attendees, and promote it on all forms of social media. It's best to start advertising the study four to six weeks before it begins. The study is seven sessions long, which means you will meet seven or eight times. Visit lifeway.com/angels for free promotional materials to help get the word out about your study.

SCHEDULE. Be sure to make everyone aware of the schedule ahead of time and start promptly each week to honor everyone's time. In your group time, you will watch the teaching video together and discuss what you're learning. You'll also be encouraged to spend a good bit of time in prayer.

STAY IN TOUCH. Prepare a sign-up sheet with space for names, email addresses, and phone numbers. You may also include information like birthdays, social media handles, and favorite candy so that you can foster community among group members.

GET COZY. Make an effort to create a comfortable environment for group meetings. Arrange chairs in a circle to encourage conversation. If your group is large you may want to watch the teaching video together and then split into smaller groups for the discussion time. If you choose to do so, enlist discussion leaders for each group to keep the conversation moving and focused.

CHILDCARE. Be sure to check with participants to see if childcare is needed and organize leaders and space for the children in advance.

BIBLE STUDY BOOKS. Each participant will need a Bible study book. Make sure you leave plenty of time for all the books to be ordered and received between announcing and starting your Bible study. Consider offering a scholarship or buy one-give-one option for those who cannot afford a study book on their own.

EARLY PREP. We encourage you to read through the entire leader guide before the first session and evaluate how this will work best for your group. Highlight specific questions from the leader guide you want to make sure you cover during your group time. We recommend watching the teaching video sessions prior to your meeting, taking note of anything you may want to highlight from the teaching. And be sure you stay on top of your own personal study between each meeting! We've left room in the leader guide for you to write down additional talking points and questions you want to pull in from the personal study.

PERSONAL STUDY. Between each meeting, there are five days of personal study to complete in the Bible study book.

PRAYER. Most importantly, be sure to pray for the women who attend the study. And pray for yourself as you prepare to lead. Ask God to draw the women closer to Him as they learn more about hearing and obeying His voice.

EVALUATE. At the end of each group session, ask yourself: *What went well? What could be improved? Did you see women's lives transformed? Did your group grow closer to Christ and to one another?* Also, do a final evaluation at the close of the study.

CONNECT. Find ways to interact and stay engaged with each member of your group throughout the study. Make use of social media, email, text messages, and handwritten notes to encourage them. Continue these connections even after the study ends.

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

THANK YOU for saying yes to leading a women's Bible study group. The leadership task ahead of you may feel daunting for a topic like this one, but it doesn't have to be! Here are some tools that we hope will help.

Visit lifeway.com/angels to watch the video "A Word for Leaders," encouragement and direction from Melissa as you prepare to lead other women through this study.

Throughout this study, we want Scripture to interpret Scripture as our primary insight into the heavenly hosts and the role they play in God's created world. However, if you're interested in expanding your personal study to further equip you as a leader, here are some of the resources that aided Melissa in her study of this topic. These resources cover a wide range of beliefs and interpretations and will help inform the perspectives many in your group may bring into this study.

Against the Darkness: The Doctrine of Angels, Satan, and Demons, by Graham A. Cole

Angels: God's Secret Agents, by Billy Graham

Angels: Who They Are and How They Help . . . What the Bible Reveals, by Dr. David Jeremiah

Angels and Demons: What the Bible Says about Spiritual Creatures, by John R. Gillhooly

The Unseen Realm: Recovering the Supernatural Worldview of the Bible,
by Michael S. Heiser

The Expositor's Bible Commentary Series

NEXT, we've provided a discussion guide for each session. Remember these are simply suggestions for how to use your time together. We want to empower you as you lead to do what is best for your group!

DISCUSSION GUIDE

SESSION ONE

Introduction to Angels

GATHER: Welcome participants to the study and distribute Bible study books to each group member. Encourage discussion by asking the following questions:

- Invite each woman to introduce herself and share basic get-to-know-you information.
- When you hear the word *angels*, what is the first thing that pops into your mind? Discuss some of the misconceptions about angels in popular culture, from the way they look to the purposes they serve.
- What is something you are looking forward to or hoping to learn from this study?

WATCH: Play the teaching video for Session One. Encourage participants to take notes or jot down questions on the Session One Video Viewer Guide on page 14.

DISCUSS the video teaching and personal Bible study, using the following questions and prompts as a guide.

1. What stood out to you from Melissa's introduction in the book and the first video?
2. Discuss together what your perception of angels and the supernatural realm has been like prior to starting this study. Are angels a part of God's creation that you give much thought to in day-to-day life? If so, in what way? If not, why do think that is?

3. The subtitle for this study is “Finding Hope in God Who Reigns Over Heaven and Earth.” How does this statement resonate with you today?
4. Invite group members to open their Bibles to Psalm 104. Divide this psalm up among readers, or read the full psalm over your group. Then discuss this psalm. Here are a few questions to get you started:
 - *What does Psalm 104 teach us about our Creator God?*
 - *Which verses stand out to you?*
 - *When you think about the scope of God’s creation, how does it impact your sense of identity? Of purpose? Of relationship with Him?*
5. Turn to pages 9-10 and read aloud the section titled, “Options for Study.” Give women time to consider which level of study they will choose. Then ask women to share which option they marked.

PRAYER: Close your group meeting with a time of prayer. Depending on the size of your group, consider breaking into smaller groups of two or three women and praying for each other. You might have extra time since this is the introductory week.

REMIND your group to complete the five days of personal study for “Session Two: Angels in the Beginning.” Take a moment to highlight the Big Idea for each day. These key points will be important to review at the end of the week of study.

Also let your group know the Bible passages for Session Two will come from the first five books of the Bible—Genesis–Deuteronomy—also known as the Pentateuch. These books give an account of creation and the history of God’s people, including the fall, the patriarchs, slavery in Egypt, the exodus, the wilderness wanderings and the establishment of God’s Law.

SESSION ONE: VIEWER GUIDE ANSWERS

Why study angels?

- Think biblically
- Prepare for the future
- Identify misinformation

Angels

A – Adore God
N – Notify God’s servants
G – Guard God’s boundaries
E – Enact God’s judgments
L – Lead God’s people
S – Serve as God’s agents

SESSION TWO

Angels in the Beginning

FINDING HOPE IN THE SAVIOR

SHARE: *What is one thing you hope to accomplish in the next ten years?*

INVITE participants to share any questions they have from their personal study, or share one thing that surprised them or stuck with them this week.

WATCH: Play the video “Session Two: Angels in the Beginning” and follow along with the Video Viewer Guide on page 44

MEMORY VERSE: Review Deuteronomy 32:43a and provide time for group members to recite it aloud.

DISCUSS the video teaching and personal Bible study, using the following questions and prompts as a guide.

1. You may have been surprised that the study began with a fallen angel. Why is it important, or even essential, for us to understand the way Satan is at work in our world and the reality of spiritual warfare?
2. Read Psalm 139:1-16. What does it mean to you to know God sees you? Discuss this psalm and your responses to the questions in Day 2.
3. Discuss this question from Day 4 (p. 36): *How is God guiding you into a deeper walk with Him today? What is one small step of obedience you can take to follow His leading?* Then process together ways you can encourage one another toward obedience.

4. From the Old Testament passages we've studied this week in Genesis, Exodus, and Numbers, we are reminded that God sees us and God leads us. Which of these hopeful statements do you need to cling to today? Share your thoughts with your group.
5. Review the Big Idea and your responses to the Recap questions from each day, and choose one truth you learned about God to share with your group.

PRAYER: To provide an opportunity for each woman to be prayed for during the week, lead each member of the group to write a prayer request on a provided note card, then pass that card to the woman on her right.

REMIND your group to complete the five days of personal study for “Session Three: Angels in the Historical Books.” Take a moment to highlight the Big Idea for each day. These key points will be important to review at the end of the week of study. Also let your group know the Bible passages for Session Three will primarily come from the historical books of Judges, 1 & 2 Samuel, and 1 & 2 Kings. The historical books (Joshua–Esther) give a biblical history of the nation of Israel from the conquest and settlement in the promised land, through leadership transitions from judges to kings, Israel’s division into two kingdoms (Israel and Judah), exile, and the eventual return to the promised land.

SESSION TWO: VIEWER GUIDE ANSWERS

Key Truth: We find hope in a Savior who restores our relationship with God.

Hopeful Statements

1. God sees me
2. God leads me.

SESSION THREE

Angels in the Historical Books

FINDING HOPE IN SURRENDER

SHARE: *If you could give up one chore for the rest of your life, what would it be?*

WATCH: Play the video “Session Three: Angels in the Historical Books” and follow along with the Video Viewer Guide on page 70.

MEMORY VERSE: Review Nehemiah 9:6 and provide time for group members to recite it aloud.

DISCUSS the video teaching and personal Bible study, using the following questions and prompts as a guide.

1. What stood out to you from your study and the video teaching for Session Three?
2. The passages of Scripture we studied this week may have included some less familiar texts for you. Why do you think God includes so many peeks behind the curtain into His throne room and the supernatural realm throughout the Old Testament?
3. Read 1 Kings 19:9-21. This passage follows Elijah’s interaction with Ahab and Jezebel from Day 3. What do you learn about the Lord God Almighty (note especially v. 12)? How do you feel knowing the God of Angel Armies whispers to you and knows you by name?

4. From the Old Testament passages we've studied this week in Judges–1 Chronicles, we are reminded that we can surrender our situations, surrender our sight, and surrender our striving to the Lord. Which of these hopeful statements do you need to cling to today? Share your thoughts with your group.
5. Review the Big Idea and your responses to the Recap questions from each day, and choose one truth you learned about God to share with your group.

PRAYER: Share prayer requests and lead your group to record them at the top of the first page of each day of study for the coming week (Session Four). When they open their books each day, this will prompt them to begin that day of study by praying for the needs of others in their group.

REMIND your group to complete the five days of personal study for “Session Four: Angels in the Wisdom Books.” Take a moment to highlight the Big Idea for each day. These key points will be important to review at the end of the week of study.

Also let your group know the Bible passages for Session Four will primarily come from the wisdom books of Job and Psalms. The wisdom books of the Old Testament (Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs) are written with poetry, parallelism, and other literary features that set them apart. The wisdom literature elevates fear of God and obedience to Him as the key to wise living.

SESSION THREE: VIEWER GUIDE ANSWERS

Key Truth: We find hope in surrender rather than self-sufficiency.

Hopeful Statements

1. Surrender your situation.
2. Surrender your sight.
3. Surrender your striving.

SESSION FOUR

Angels in the Wisdom Books

FINDING HOPE IN SUFFERING

SHARE: *What is the best prank you have ever pulled, or has been pulled on you?*

WATCH: Play the video “Session Four: Angels in the Wisdom Books” and follow along with the Video Viewer Guide on page 98.

MEMORY VERSE: Review Psalm 91:9-11 and provide time for group members to recite it aloud.

DISCUSS the video teaching and personal Bible study, using the following questions and prompts as a guide.

1. What stood out to you from your study and the video teaching for Session Four?
2. One of the most common names used for God in wisdom literature is “LORD of Heaven’s Armies.” Share what this name means to you. What is one way you might live differently with this name of God in view?
3. Pick two of the psalms from Day 3—Psalms 24; 46; 59; 69; 80; 84—to read out loud together as a form of worship. Then discuss the questions that accompany those psalms on pages 84–86.

4. From the Old Testament passages we've studied in Job and Psalms this session, we are reminded that praise has power in our pain; shelter from suffering is found in God alone; and we can submit to our station in our suffering. Which of these hopeful statements do you need to cling to today? Share your thoughts with your group.
5. Review the Big Idea and your responses to the Recap questions from each day, and choose one truth you learned about God to share with your group.

PRAYER: Acquire a thirty-second hourglass timer (or use the timer on your phone). Allow women to share one specific prayer request before the sand/time runs out. This will help women gather their thoughts and be succinct. It also leaves more time for actual prayer rather than extended sharing of prayer requests.

REMIND your group to complete the five days of personal study for "Session Five: Angels in the Prophetic Books." Take a moment to highlight the Big Idea for each day. These key points will be important to review at the end of the week of study.

Also let your group know the Bible passages for Session Five will primarily come from the prophetic books of Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, and Zechariah. The prophetic books in the Bible are divided into two sections (Major and Minor) based on the length of the book. In them, God spoke to the nation of Israel through His prophets with messages of rebuke, correction, encouragement, hope, and promises for a Savior.

SESSION FOUR: VIEWER GUIDE ANSWERS

Key Truth: Hope in suffering is not just possible; it's promised.

Hopeful Statements

1. Praise has power in our pain.
2. Shelter from suffering is found in God alone.
3. We can submit to our station in our suffering.

SESSION FIVE

Angels in the Prophetic Books

FINDING HOPE IN SUPPLICATION

SHARE: *What is one piece of advice you would give to your past self?*

WATCH: Play the video “Session Five: Angels in the Prophetic Books” and follow along with the Video Viewer Guide on page 126.

MEMORY VERSE: Review Daniel 10:12 and provide time for group members to recite it aloud.

DISCUSS the video teaching and personal Bible study, using the following questions and prompts as a guide.

1. What stood out to you from your study and the video teaching for Session Five?
2. During the Day 3 study, we considered our current prayer patterns and desires for growth in our prayer lives. Share your responses to the questions in the “Hope in Your Times of Trouble” section on pages 113–114.
3. Melissa describes our problem with prayer as a problem with self-sufficiency. How do you see this reflected in your prayer life? What are some truths you’re learning about God through this study that are strengthening your dependency on Him?

4. From the Old Testament prophetic books, Melissa pointed out that prayer realigns us to God's reign over heaven and earth, is related to God's power, and relinquishes results to God. Which of these hopeful statements do you need to apply to your prayer life today? Share your thoughts with your group.
5. Review the Big Idea and your responses to the Recap questions from each day, and choose one truth you learned about God to share with your group.

PRAYER: Close with a “popcorn prayer.” Encourage group members to say a word or phrase of praise to God. Then lead women to use a word or brief phrases to express specific requests to the Lord. As the leader, close the prayer time.

REMIND your group to complete the five days of personal study for “Session Six: Angels in the Gospels.” Take a moment to highlight the Big Idea for each day. These key points will be important to review at the end of the week of study.

Also let your group know the Bible passages for Session Six will come from the New Testament, including all four Gospels—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The Gospels tell the story of the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, our Savior. In them, many of the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament come true.

SESSION FIVE: VIEWER GUIDE ANSWERS

Key Truth: We find hope in prayer as the access point between heaven and earth.

Hopeful Statements

1. Prayer realigns us to God's reign over heaven and earth.
2. Prayer is related to God's power.
3. Prayer relinquishes results to God.

SESSION SIX

Angels in the Gospels

FINDING HOPE IN SEEKING

SHARE: *If you could instantly become an expert in one area, what would it be and why?*

WATCH: Play the video “Session Six: Angels in the Gospels” and follow along with the Video Viewer Guide on page 150.

MEMORY VERSE: Review Matthew 25:31 and provide time for group members to recite it aloud.

DISCUSS the video teaching and personal Bible study, using the following questions and prompts as a guide.

1. What stood out to you from your study and the video teaching for Session Six?
2. Read Matthew 1:18-25, Luke 1:26-38, and Luke 2:8-20. Discuss the specific messages of hope in each angel announcement and how those messages still apply to followers of Jesus today.
3. Why is Jesus’s resurrection our ultimate hope?
4. From our study of angels in the Gospels, Melissa reminded us of the importance of seeking the good news God rather than mediocre media; seeking greatness God’s way; and seeking God and leaving the labeling to angels. Which of these hopeful statements is a truth you need to apply to your life? Share your thoughts with your group.

5. Review the Big Idea and your responses to the Recap questions from each day, and choose one truth you learned about God to share with your group.

PRAYER: Allow each woman to share a prayer request. Then instruct each group member to pray silently and lift up the request of the woman on her right.

REMIND your group to complete the five days of personal study for “Session Seven: Angels in the Early Church.” Take a moment to highlight the Big Idea for each day. These key points will be important to review at the end of the week of study.

Also let your group know the Bible passages for Session Seven will come from the New Testament books of Acts–1 Peter. These New Testament books tell about the growth of the early church following Jesus’s ascension to heaven, and they inform much of how the church continues to operate in the world today. These books include the genres of history, wisdom, narrative, and epistle (letters).

SESSION SIX: VIEWER GUIDE ANSWERS

Key Truth: Hope is found in seeking the Lord with the commitment to curiosity.

Hopeful Statements

1. Seek the good news God rather than mediocre media.
2. Seek greatness God’s way.
3. Seek God and leave the labeling to angels.

SESSION SEVEN

Angels in the Early Church

FINDING HOPE IN SUITING UP

SHARE: *What is one “hill you are willing to die on”?*

WATCH: Play the video “Session Seven: Angels in the Early Church” and follow along with the Video Viewer Guide on page 176.

MEMORY VERSE: Review Ephesians 6:12 and provide time for group members to recite it aloud.

DISCUSS the video teaching and personal Bible study, using the following questions and prompts as a guide.

1. What stood out to you from your study and the video teaching for Session Seven?
2. Read Acts 5:24-33. How would you summarize the “message of life” (Acts 5:20) the angel told Peter and the other apostles to give to the people? What do you learn about God’s character and work from this message? What is the hope in it for you?
3. What are you standing firm against, and how can our group stand by your side?

4. From the angelic encounters in the early church, Melissa taught us that we stand firm against the enemy by suiting up, when we discern, and even in suffering. Which of these hopeful statements do you need to cling to today? Share your thoughts with your group.
5. Review the Big Idea and your responses to the Recap questions from each day, and choose one truth you learned about God to share with your group.

PRAYER: Ask your group to share prayer requests. Then invite a woman who is comfortable praying out loud to open the prayer time. Give time for others to pray as they feel led to close the session.

REMINDE your group to complete the five days of personal study for “Session Eight: Angels in Revelation.” Take a moment to highlight the Big Idea for each day. These key points will be important to review at the end of the week of study.

Also let your group know the Bible passages for Session Eight will come from Revelation, the final book in the Bible. The book of Revelation includes the genres of letters, poetry, prophecy, and apocalyptic literature, and it gives readers the hope that Jesus will return and all of God’s promises will be true forever.

SESSION SEVEN: VIEWER GUIDE ANSWERS

Key Truth: We find hope in standing firm.

Hopeful Statements

1. We stand firm by suiting up.
2. We stand firm when we discern.
3. We stand firm even in suffering.

SESSION EIGHT

Angels in Revelation

FINDING HOPE IN SATISFACTION

SHARE: *What is the longest you ever waited for something, and was it worth it?*

WATCH: Play the video “Session Eight: Angels in Revelation” and follow along with the Video Viewer Guide on page 204.

MEMORY VERSE: Review Revelation 5:13 and provide time for group members to recite it aloud.

DISCUSS the video teaching and personal Bible study, using the following questions and prompts as a guide.

1. What stood out to you from your study and the video teaching for Session Eight?
2. Read Revelation 22:1-9 and discuss responses to this question from Day 5 (p. 199): What are some practical ways a believer can keep the words of Revelation?
3. How has our study on angels in Scripture changed the way you think about these heavenly creatures and your understanding of God’s creation?
4. From the passages we looked at in Revelation this session, we are reminded that worship is an antidote to worry in waiting; things will not always be the way they are now; and the best is yet to be because God wins and evil loses. Which of these hopeful statements do you need to cling to today? Share your thoughts with your group.

5. Review the Big Idea and your responses to the Recap questions from each day, and choose one truth you learned about God to share with your group.

PRAYER: Close with a “popcorn prayer.” Encourage group members to say a word or phrase of praise to God. Then lead women to use a word or brief phrases to express specific requests to the Lord. As the leader, close the prayer time.

SESSION EIGHT: VIEWER GUIDE ANSWERS

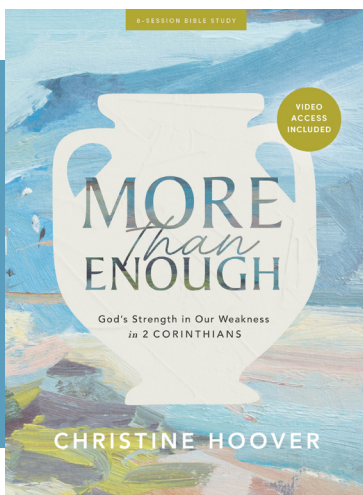
Key Truth: We find hope in waiting well.

Hopeful Statements

1. Worship is an antidote to worry in waiting.
2. It will not always be the way it is now.
3. The best is yet to be because God wins and evil loses.

FINISHING WELL

NEXT STEPS Even after the study concludes, follow up and challenge women to stay involved through another Bible study, church opportunity, or anything that will continue their spiritual growth and friendships. Provide several options of ministry opportunities the members can participate in individually or as a group to apply what they have learned through this study.



WHAT'S NEXT?

If you enjoyed this study, check out
More Than Enough by Christine Hoover.

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INTRODUCING BIBLE STUDIES with VIDEO ACCESS INCLUDED!

As trends in media consumption change from DVDs to streaming video, Lifeway made the decision to invest in technology that would allow for Bible studies to be accessed through mobile devices and smart TVs in addition to our website.

The concept of a Bible study book with video access allows us to use the technology to give all participants easier access to teaching videos. This will alleviate a concern we have heard from many group leaders of members who stop coming to their group after they miss a week of study.

HOW WILL CUSTOMERS ACCESS THE VIDEOS THAT COME WITH THEIR BIBLE STUDY BOOK WITH VIDEO ACCESS?

There is a unique access code printed in each Bible study book. They will access their video content at my.lifeway.com or through the Lifeway On Demand app.

HOW LONG WILL THEY HAVE ACCESS TO THE VIDEOS THAT COME WITH THEIR BIBLE STUDY BOOK?

There is no expiration date on the video access that comes with their Bible study book. They'll be able to access it as long as it is available through our Lifeway On Demand video apps.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF VIDEO ACCESS BEING INCLUDED IN EACH BIBLE STUDY BOOK?

- This provides more flexibility for group meeting time. Groups now have the option to have group members watch video sessions outside of group meetings to allow more time for discussion.
- If a group member misses a weekly group meeting due to sickness or travel, they will be able to access the video content on their own and continue in their study.
- Group members can re-watch video sessions that were particularly impactful on their own time.
- This simplifies what a group leader needs to facilitate Bible study. You'll now get everything you need with just the Bible study book.

- Our goal is to provide an affordable option for both individuals and churches who are looking for Bible study options.

WHAT DO CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS NEED TO LEAD A GROUP?

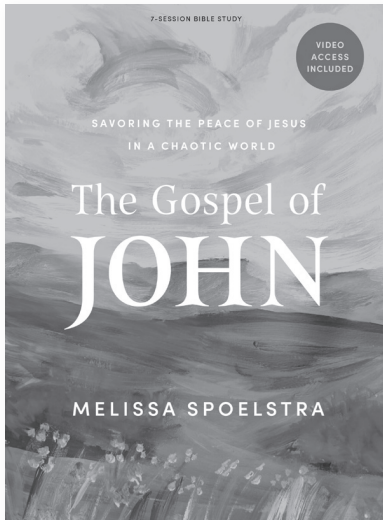
Each group member will need a Bible study book, which will include video access. There is also a DVD option for groups who want a non-streaming viewing option. In addition, select studies provide a Video Streaming - Group option for groups who choose not to use the Bible study books. For the best experience, we recommend each group member have a Bible study book.

WHEN DO GROUP LEADERS NEED A DVD SET?

Because the Bible study book includes video streaming access, the purchase of the DVD set is optional (not essential) for group leaders. This option is for groups who may not have reliable streaming internet access.

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