

MIKE AND DANIEL **BLACKABY**

EXPERIENCING GOD IN EVERYDAY LIFE

A Journey Toward Spiritual Maturity

HEY, PARENTS!

We are so excited that you have decided to lead your teen through this Bible study! It's safe to assume that if you are leading your child in a Bible study at home, you care deeply about your child growing in his or her faith. That's what this book is all about! *Experiencing God in Everyday Life* will help your son or daughter know how to follow Jesus in his or her daily life and grow in the habits and disciplines that help him or her experience God. This study explores the eight realities of experiencing God in everyday life. We believe you'll grow from this study as much as your teen will. It's chock full of great wisdom and practical ways to grow in your relationship with God.

Helping your child know Jesus is the most important role you have as a parent, and this Bible study will help you with this important task. You don't have to be a master teacher or an expert to lead him or her through this study—just be willing to have open discussions and turn to God's Word for the answers. It would also be counterproductive for you to help your child open his or her heart to God if you are not willing to let the Lord have the same effect in yours. Can you imagine how amazing it would be for the two of you to open your Bibles together and see what God has to say to you both? This can change both of your lives!

FOR THIS STUDY YOU WILL NEED:

- *Experiencing God in Everyday Life Teen Edition* Bible study book for yourself
- *Experiencing God in Everyday Life Teen Edition* Bible study book for your child

HOW TO USE YOUR MATERIALS TOGETHER:

NOTICE

You can find tips for how to use this study beginning on page 6 of the book. These tips will be helpful not only for you as you lead but also for your teen as he or she participates in the study. This is a weekly Bible study that has eight sessions. There are teaching tips beginning on page 180 that will be a helpful tool as you lead your son or daughter each week.

STUDY

Don't forget to pray!

As you work through *Experiencing God in Everyday Life*, we encourage you to discuss what the Lord is teaching you personally. You'll be most productive in leading if you complete each session of study. Gently encourage your teen to stay on track and push yourself to do the same. We realize your lives are busy and that many teens are

stretched too thin, but this book will be most effective when students work through it one day at a time rather than cramming just to get it done.

CONNECT

- Set aside time each week to work through the book and keep each other accountable.
- Be open with your teen throughout the week about the things you are learning or have questions about. Be a safe place for him or her to do the same.
- Don't stress! Make a plan and follow through. If you need to go at your own pace, that's fine. Just don't give up if the road gets rough. The destination is worth the journey!

FAQ

Q: How old does my student need to be for this study?

A: This study is recommended for teens ages thirteen and up, but use your discernment as a parent.

Q: Are there videos to watch with my teen?

A: No, there are no videos for the teen version of the study. However, there are videos for the adult study. Even though those videos are designed for adults, teens can benefit from them as well. Videos are included with the purchase of Experiencing God in Everyday Life adult Bible study.

Q: Is there a version of this study for adults? If so, is it the same?

A: There is an adult version based on the same material, but the student version has been formatted for a younger audience. This means there are some differences between the studies.

Q: What if my student asks a question I don't know the answer to?

A: Be open and honest—don't just make something up. Seek counsel from trusted sources like pastors and commentaries. Most importantly, turn to God's Word.

For more resources and information, see lifeway.com/everyday