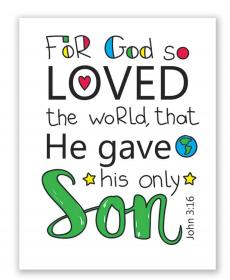
# HPBC DISCIPLE JOURNAL WMTER











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## **HPBC: Who Are We?**

This WINTER Quarter, we continue seeking to make disciples of Jesus who then choose to make disciples. We believe consistency in God's Word and prayer are foundational to growing and learning as believers. This Disciple Guide will provide some tools for your ongoing spiritual journey. We desire to be doers of God's Word. Our goal is to be a church family that is focused on growing and learning in the same direction. We desire love for God, love for each other, love for community, consistency, accountability, and obedience to God's Word.

## **Our Mission & Discipleship Process**

Our mission as a church and our discipleship process are the same.

We believe loving God well involves doing these things outlined below. If you commit yourself to this process, there is a high likelihood you will grow in faith and become more committed as a follower of Jesus.

Based on Matt. 22:37-40; 28:18-20

#### **LOVE GOD**

Commit to Sunday morning worship and "every day" times of worship and loving God with all your heart.

#### **LOVE OTHERS**

Commit to active Family Group Involvement on Sunday mornings and loving your neighbors whom you know and don't know during the week.

#### **GROW DEEPER**

Commit to grow as an obedient believer with the daily spiritual disciplines of Bible reading and prayer.

#### **SERVE & GIVE**

Commit to serve at least one place for one year in our church family. Serve IN our church family. Serve OUT in our community. Be a giver of your time, talents, and treasures.

# Where are we going?

**PRAYER LIST** 

<u>Date</u> <u>Request</u> <u>Answer</u>

This WINTER we are studying in the first eleven chapters of John's Gospel where God uses him simply tells us the story of Jesus. His account of Jesus' life tells us exactly who Jesus was and what He was about.

Everything John wrote points to Jesus as the Son of God, come to earth. He was God in flesh, sent by the Father to pay the price for our sins. Jesus is the undisputed hero of John's Gospel and He can be trusted with all our lives.

# **SPIRITUAL GROWTH CHALLENGE**

#### Level 1:

Commit to our Discipleship Process (Page 3) Commit to daily Bible reading and prayer. Develop and use a personal journal each day.

#### Level 2:

Seek to read all the Bible through in 2023.

Practice Scripture memory each week.

Pray for one person to come to Christ this year through your witness.

Be a regular tither and giver of your time, talents, and treasures.

Expand relationships to at least one mentor, one peer, and one protégé.

#### **PRAYER LIST**

<u>Date</u> <u>Request</u> <u>Answer</u>

# **Bible Reading Plan**

"Our Daily Bread" devotional booklets can be picked up in our church Welcome Center, or downloaded as a free app. A yearly "read the Bible" plan is included. If you miss a day of reading, don't worry, just begin reading at the current date.

# **Bible Study Help (SOAP Method)**

Purchase a journal of some kind and use these principles in your personal study. Or use this journal for note taking!

**S**CRIPTURE—In your journal, write out the one verse that spoke to you the most.

**O**BSERVATION—What captured your attention as you read this passage? Did God speak to you as you were reading? What did you learn?

APPLICATION—What part of this Scripture can you apply to your life? What will change if you do?

PRAYER—Ask God to give you a clear understanding of this Scripture. Ask Him to help you apply it to your life.

Pray the Scripture over yourself.

## **Prayer Help**

Find a place in your personal journal to make two columns.

On the left column place a date and then list specific requests.

Use the right hand column to record answers to prayer.

Draw a line through answered prayers and praise God. Keep praying until God answers yes, no, wait, or something else!

When your journal is full, write dates of use on the outside cover and start another journal ASAP!

# **Weekly Bible Study Focus**

Week	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Passage</u>
Dec 4-10	In The Beginning	John 1:1-14
Dec 11-17	Come and See	John 1:40-51
Dec 18-24	I Will Raise	John 2:11-23
Dec 25-31	You Will Find	Luke 2:1-15
Jan 1-7	Everyone Who Believes	John 3:4-18
Jan 8-14	But Whoever Drinks	John 4:11-26
Jan 15-21	Pick Up Your Mat	John 5:5-16
Jan 22-28	I Am the Bread	John 6:26-40
Jan 29-Feb 4	He Sent Me	John 7:14-29
Feb 5-11	I Am the Light	John 8:3-18
Feb 12-18	You Have Seen Him	John 9:24-38
Feb 19-25	I Know My Own	John 10:7-30
Feb 26-Mar4	I Am the Resurrection	John 11:32-46

# Family Groups (FG)

Sundays @ 9:45 a.m.

Preschool	Monica Christopher	Room K5	
K-3rd Grade	Morgan Davis	Room K2	
4-6th Grade	Brenda Mitchell	Room K1	
Youth (Gr. 7-12)	Robert Christopher	Room FH1	
	Michael Clark		
Co-Ed Younger Adult	Jerry Borden	Fellowship Hall	
Co-Ed Older Adult	Jim Davis/Eric Meades	Conference Room	
Co-Ed Adults	Mike Ford	MPR	

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# 7 UP: A Simple Daily Devotion Plan

Can you spare at least 7 to 10 minutes to start each day with God? Try and give your relationship with Jesus the best time of your day!

# **Bible Memory Verses**

Memorize AND review Bible verses weekly. 2 Tim. 3:16 "All Scripture is inspired by God..."

30 Seconds	Pray and ask God to speak truth into your life.	Dec 4-10	A Sure Salvation	John 5:24
3 Minutes	Read the Scripture of the day from "Our Daily Bread" (www.odb.org) or some other devotional	Dec 11-17	His Spirit	1 Cor. 3:16
	plan.	Dec 18-24	His Spirit	1 Cor. 2:12
1 Minute	Write a lesson or two God reveals in your journal.	Dec 25-31	His Strength	Isa. 41:10
2 Minutes	Read the devotional reading for the day.	Jan 1-7	His Strength	Phil. 4:13
30 Seconds	Pray for opportunity to live out what you are learning during the day and share with others.  Pray for specific items on Your prayer list as time allows.	Jan 8-14	His Faithfulness	Lam. 3:22-23
		Jan 15-21	His Faithfulness	Num. 23:19
	_	Jan 22-28	His Peace	Isa. 26:3
7 Minutes To	tal	Jan 29-Feb 4	His Peace	1 Pet. 5:7
Try to do	valan daily dissipling in Piblo study. Add time as	Feb 5-11	His Provision	Rom. 8:32
•	velop daily discipline in Bible study. Add time as d as your thirst grows for God's Word and prayer.	Feb 12-18	His Provision	Phil. 4:19
		Feb 18-25	Help in Temptation	Heb. 2:18
		Feb 26-Mar 4	Help in Temptation	Ps. 119:9,11

#### **Disciple Group Format**

These section is <u>for a small group of three or four people to gather weekly</u> to encourage, share, build up, and sharpen one another.

1 Thes. 5:23 "Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely, and may your <u>spirit</u> and <u>soul</u> and <u>body</u> be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

#### **Accountability Questions**

#### **SPIRIT**

- 1. Have you spent daily time in Scriptures and prayer?
- 2. Are you fully obedient to what God is teaching you there?
- 3. Are you progressing towards Christ-likeness as a disciple?
- 4. How many times have you shared the Gospel and with whom?
- 5. How many spiritual conversations or church invitations given?
  - 6. Who are the people you are "discipling"? What is your approach and how is that going?

#### **SOUL**

- 1. Have you spent quality relationship time with family and friends?
  - 2. Have you done your 100% best in your work?
  - 3. Have you told any half-truths or outright lies, putting yourself in a better light to others?
  - 4. Have you allowed any person or circumstances to rob you of your joy?

#### **BODY**

- 1. Have you taken care of your body through daily physical exercise and proper eating and sleeping habits?
- 2. Are there things you need to change in this area to better honor God?
  - 3. Is there any area where you are currently disobedient to God?
    - 4. Have you lied on any of your answers today?

#### **God's Good News**

Your heart tends to run from God and rebel against Him.

The Bible calls this "sin." Romans 3:23

Yet God loves you and wants to save you from your sin, offering you a relationship with Him. John 10:10

To give you this gift of salvation, God sent His Son, Jesus, to pay the penalty for your sins. Romans 5:8

You can receive this God-given gift by faith alone. Ephesians 2:8

Faith involves trusting that God alone can save you and and help you turn away from a life of sin. Romans 10:9; Mark 1:15

If you want to trust that Jesus died for your sins and receive new life through Him, pray a prayer similar to that expresses your heart change (repentance) and faith in Him:

"God, I know I am a sinner. I believe Jesus, in love, died to pay for my sins. Today I turn from my sin and choose to accept Your offer of eternal life. Thank You for Your love for me and for Your forgiveness. Thank You for my new life. From this day forward, help me live for You!

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If you have trusted Jesus as Savior, please <u>share your decision</u> with a Christian friend or pastor. If you are not already attending church, find one in which you can worship and grow in your faith.

<u>Following Christ's example, ask to be baptized by immersion</u> as a public expression of your faith.

Our pastor would love to talk with you about your decision and help answer any questions you may have.