



growing courageous for Jesus | Wagga Rd, Aug-Sep 2023

God is the one and only, who is sovereign over all, for our good

This discussion guide includes preparation BEFORE the group and some guidance DURING the group meeting. Preparation before the group will help you, your leader, and your group to engage and respond to the living and active Word of God.

PREPARATION BEFORE THE GROUP MEETS:

The aim of this preparation is to encourage good & prayerful observation of the text of God's word and the joyful experience of discovering its truth.

Pray & read 2 Timothy 3.10-4.5

What strikes you about this reading?

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Do you have any questions about this reading?

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How does this reading make you feel?

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What do you think in response to this reading?

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What will you do in response to this reading?

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WHEN THE GROUP MEETS: Pray for your discussion time

read Romans 1.18-23

- Why can we know that God is? What can we know about the God who is from observing the world around us?

read John 1.14-18; Hebrews 1.1-4

- Why can we know that God is? How does God speak?

- Why is hearing from God a superior revelation of God than merely seeing his handiwork in the world around us?

read 2 Timothy 2.1-21

- Why will Timothy need courage to speak up for Jesus?

- What will Timothy have to courageously focus on and what must he courageously avoid?

read 2 Timothy 3.10-4.5

- How does God reveal himself now and equip his servants? Reflect together on how you have come to know the scriptures, and some things it has taught, rebuked, corrected, and trained you in:

- How are you preparing yourself to be a speaker of *the word*?

- **read again 2 Timothy 2.15-16** In *growing courageous for Jesus* we need to be good students. What is it about a good student that is a model for being courageous? What things can you courageously continue or start so that you are well equipped as a worker: approved, unashamed, correctly handling the word of truth, avoiding godless chatter?

- How are you now particularly prepared to answer someone if they say, ‘We can’t know if God is!’? What might you do to be better prepared for this?

PRAY!