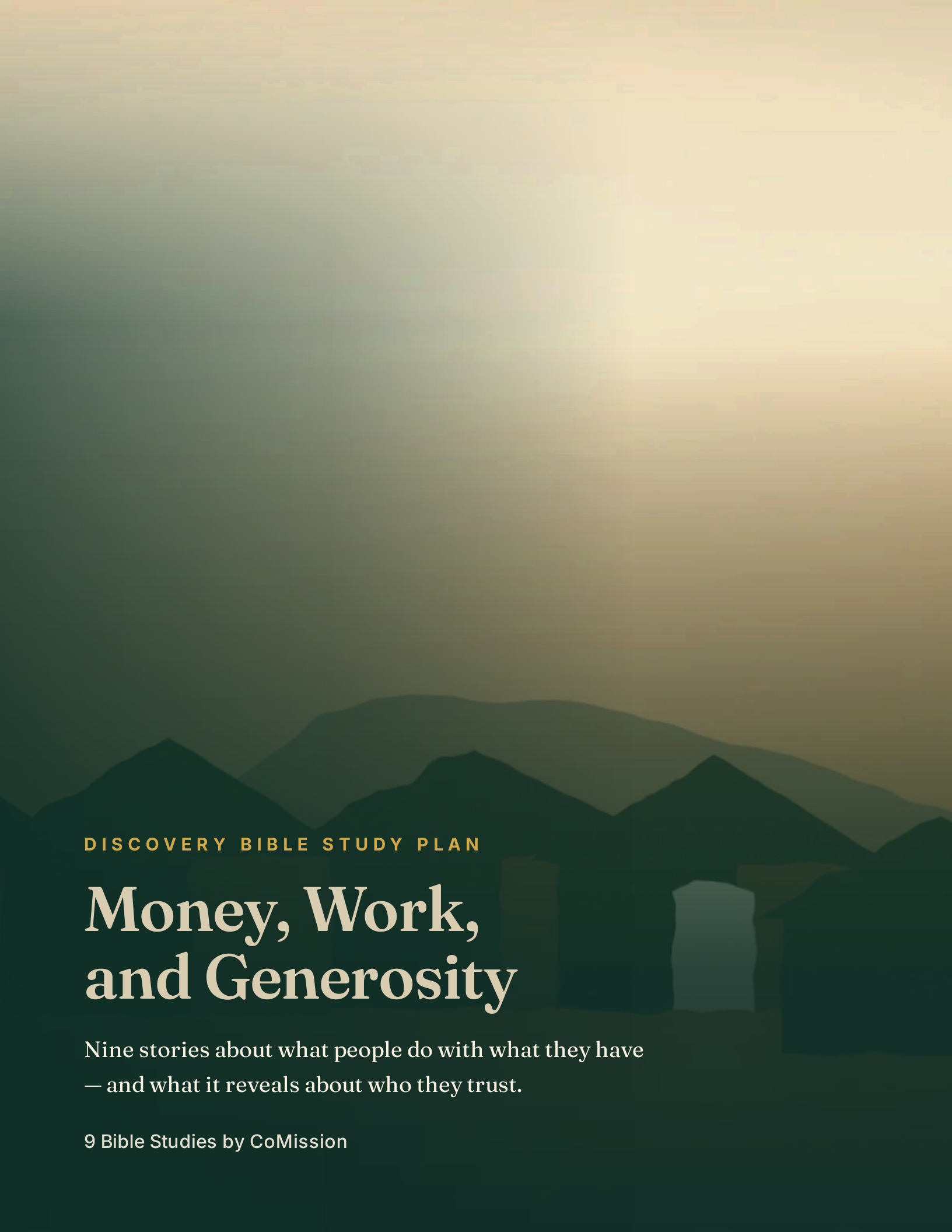

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How a Discovery Bible Study works

This page is for whoever leads the study. Everyone else only needs the passage.

A Discovery Bible Study has no teacher. The person leading only asks the questions; the Bible does the teaching. That is what makes it simple enough for anyone to lead — no title, no training, no materials, no money.

EAT, DIGEST, GROW

Eat the Word — Read the passage aloud, read it again, then close the Bible and have someone retell it in their own words. Reading is the bite, re-reading the chewing, the retelling the swallow. If the group can't retell it, read it once more before going on.

Digest — Work through the four questions. This is where the passage turns into faith and obedience — answered from what the text actually says, not from what someone already knew.

Grow — Growth is God's part, not yours. One plants, another waters, but God gives the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7). Do the cycle faithfully and leave the growing to Him.

THE FOUR QUESTIONS

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**
2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**
3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**
4. **Who will I tell?**

THE SHAPE OF A MEETING

Look back — What are you thankful for? What is hard right now? How did you obey what we found last time, and who did you tell? Pray briefly for each other.

Look up — Read, re-read, retell — then the four questions.

Look forward — Each person says their own “I will…” out loud and names one person they will tell. Next time, the group asks about both. Asking is what turns a discussion into obedience.

THE ONE RULE: DON'T TEACH

The moment you start explaining, the group stops discovering. If someone says something that is not in the passage, do not correct them — ask, kindly, “Where do you see that in this passage?” and let them look. The text and the group sort it out. This is the rule that lets someone who has been in two studies lead the third.

Four to fifteen people. About an hour, once a week. Nothing else required.

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The rich fool

Luke 12:13-21

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   What does the rich man plan to do with his abundance, and what does God call him?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   Where are you tempted to find your security in what you have stored up rather than in God?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   What is one thing you have been keeping for yourself that you will release this week?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Who could you talk with about where true security is found?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *Father, everything I have came from you. Free me from storing up for myself alone, and make me rich toward you.*

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Do not be anxious about your life

Matthew 6:25-34

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   What reasons does Jesus give for not worrying about food and clothing?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   What worry about money or provision weighs on you most right now?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   What would seeking God's kingdom first look like in one money decision you face this week?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Who is anxious about providing for themselves that you could encourage with these words?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *Father, you feed the birds and clothe the flowers, and you know what I need. Teach me to seek your kingdom first and to leave tomorrow's worries with you.*

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NEXT STUDY The rich young ruler

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The rich young ruler

Mark 10:17-31

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   What does Jesus tell the man to do, and how does the man respond?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   What would be hardest for you to let go of if Jesus asked for it?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   What one possession or plan will you loosen your grip on this week?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Who could you tell that with God all things are possible — even a changed heart about money?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *Jesus, you looked at the young man and loved him even as you asked for everything. Show me what I am holding instead of you, and help me trust that you are worth more.*

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NEXT STUDY Zacchaeus makes it right

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Zacchaeus makes it right

Luke 19:1-10

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   What does Zacchaeus promise to do after Jesus comes to his house?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   Is there money — or anything else — you gained unfairly that still weighs on you?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   What one thing will you restore or repay this week?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Who could you tell about how meeting Jesus changes what we do with money?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *Jesus, when you came to Zacchaeus' house his money changed hands because his heart changed first. Come to my house too, and make right what I have made wrong.*

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NEXT STUDY The widow's two coins

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The widow's two coins

Mark 12:41-44

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   How does Jesus compare the widow's gift with the gifts of the rich?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   What does your giving reveal about how much you trust God to provide for you?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   What could you give quietly this week that costs you something real?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Who could you tell about a God who measures gifts by trust, not by size?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *Father, you saw the widow when no one else did, and you see me. Teach me to give out of trust in you, not out of what is left over.*

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NEXT STUDY The shrewd manager

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The shrewd manager

Luke 16:1-13

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   What does the manager do with his master's accounts, and what does Jesus say about serving two masters?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   In practice, which master — God or money — has been getting your best attention?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   How will you use some of your money this week for something that outlasts this life?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Who could you invite into a conversation about what being faithful with little means?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *God, you cannot be served alongside money. Make me faithful with the little in my hands, and wise in using it for what lasts forever.*

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The talents

Matthew 25:14-30

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   What do the first two servants do with what they receive, and why does the third bury his?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   What has God entrusted to you — money, skills, time — that fear has kept buried?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   What one entrusted thing will you put to work for God this week?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Who could you encourage to use a gift they have been hiding?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *Master, everything I can do and everything I have is entrusted, not earned. Free me from burying what you gave me out of fear, and help me put it to work for you.*

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NEXT STUDY Ananias and Sapphira

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Ananias and Sapphira

Acts 5:1-11

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   According to Peter, what exactly was Ananias and Sapphira's sin — keeping some of the money, or something else?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   Where are you tempted to appear more generous or more faithful than you really are?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   Where will you choose plain honesty about money — at work or at home — this week?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Who could you talk with honestly about the temptation to keep up appearances?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *God, you did not demand their money — you wanted their honesty. Search my heart, and keep me from pretending to be more generous or more spiritual than I am.*

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The cheerful giver

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

1 Eat

Read the passage slowly, read it again, then retell it in your own words. If you can't retell it, read it once more.

☐ Read ☐ Reread ☐ Retell

2 Digest

Answer from what the passage actually says — stay in the text.

1. **What does this passage show me about God?**

   How does Paul say each person should decide what to give, and what does he say God is able to do?

2. **What does it show me about people — and about myself?**

   When you give, does it feel more like loss or more like sowing — and why?

3. **What will I obey this week? (a concrete step, with a day)**

   What will you give cheerfully this week, decided in your heart rather than under pressure?

4. **Who will I tell?**

   Whose generosity toward you could you thank God for, out loud, together with them?

3 Grow

Growth is God's part, not yours. Do the cycle faithfully and trust Him to give the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

✦ Pray

> *Father, you gave your indescribable gift first. Make me a cheerful giver — not under pressure, but confident that you are able to supply everything I need.*

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