

# Growth Tool 1: Christian Basics Program



## Initial Decisions

Baptism

Those considering making the decision or who have recently made the decision to follow Jesus are encouraged to take the next step to participate in the:

## Christian Basics Program

When a pre/new believer takes this step, they agree to meet with an equipped believer for six 1.5 hour sessions to explore the basics of the Christian faith.

Salvation



# Some Benefits of this Approach



**Program can be started any time**

**Can be done in any place at any time**

**Reduces the anxiety that groups can present**

**Models the disciple-making process for future**

**Empowers the person to explore God's Word**

# Christian Basics Program Content



1) The Problem of Sin

2) Who is Jesus?

3) Jesus' Death

4) Jesus' Resurrection

5) The Holy Spirit

6) Spiritual Growth

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## 1) The Problem of Sin



God made the world good

What went wrong?

The Consequences

But God...

The Solution: Jesus



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## 2) Who is Jesus?



Son of God

Prove It! The Supernatural Works of Jesus

Forgave Sins

Healed

Commanded Demons

Multiplied Food

Changed weather

Raised the dead

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## 3) Jesus' Death



Jesus Predicted His Death

The Night Before Jesus Died

The Sentencing of Jesus

The Crucifixion & Death of Jesus

What did Jesus' Death Achieve?

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## 4) Jesus' Resurrection



The Burial of Jesus

The Resurrection of Jesus

Jesus Appeared to Many

Jesus Ascended into Heaven

Why is Jesus Resurrection so Important?

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## 5) The Holy Spirit



Instruction to the Disciples

The Coming of the Holy Spirit

The Empowering of the Holy Spirit

Who is the Holy Spirit?

Can the Holy Spirit Empower Me for Ministry?



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## 6) Spiritual Growth



**God's Gift not Our Works**

**Speaking & Listening to God**

**Connecting with Other Believers**

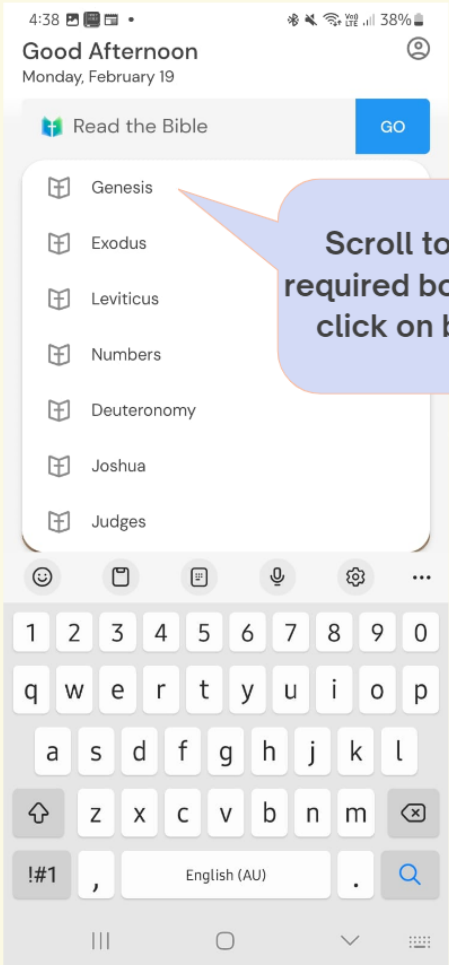
**Sharing and Serving**

**Being Aware of the Spiritual Battle**

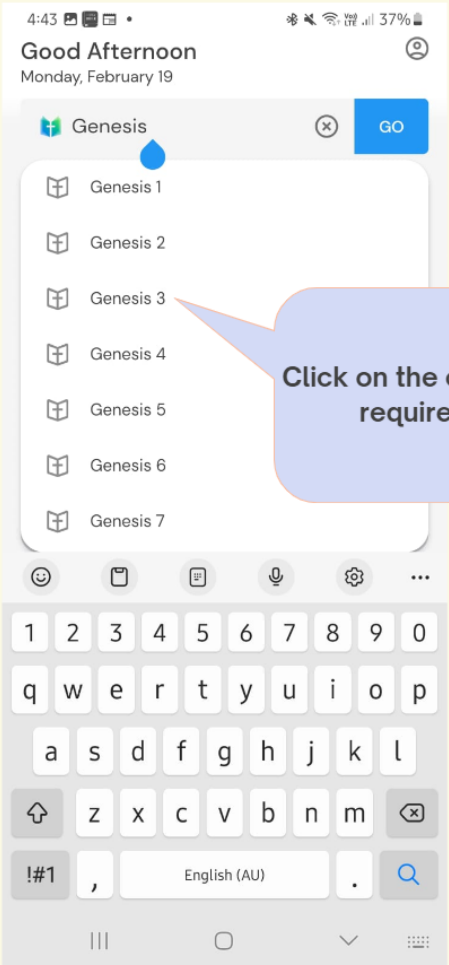
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**The Fall**

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# Each Session has a Facilitator & Participant Guide

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### Session 3: Jesus' Death

#### Facilitator's Guide

##### Ask:

How has the past week been for you?

Do you have any questions from what we chatted about last week?

##### Introduction

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##### **Matthew 16:21**

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

(See also Mark 9:30-32; Luke 9:22)

**Ask:** What stand out to you about Jesus statement in this verse?

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#### 2. The Night Before Jesus Died

On the Thursday night during the Jewish feast of Passover, Jesus shared a meal with twelve of his closest disciples. During that meal Jesus did something very interesting with the bread and the wine.

**Read:** Matthew 26:26-28

(See also Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:19-20, 1 Cor 11:23-25)

# The flow of each session



**1. Greetings and brief chat about the week**

**2. Discuss outstanding questions from previous week**

**3. Discuss the content, look up & read passages**

**4. Ask final questions**

**5. Pray for the person**





# **HELPFUL TIPS**

**Pray for the person you are discipling**

**Show genuine interest in the person**

**Discuss...don't download**

**Avoid arguing**

**Advise that you will find out what you don't know**

**Be flexible and patient**