

## CAC LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

By This Time Next Year: Bible – January 4, 2026

**Big Idea:** By this time next year... may we know, feel, and do God's Word.

**Ice Breaker:** What's the funniest or most bizarre "Bible misunderstanding" you had as a kid or early believer?

### Key Points

Take a few minutes to review the key points from this week's message.

- The Bible is a combination of different styles of literature
- The Bible is one cohesive story about Jesus – it all points to him
- The more of the Bible you know, the more it can feel like you don't know
- Commit to feeling patience with and humility about yourself when reading the Bible
- Use the reading approach that works for you
- Contemplating scripture allows what you read to write on you
- The goal of scripture is digestion and transformation, not completion

### Discussion Questions

Based on the message, discuss the questions below.

- What was your biggest takeaway? What stuck out the most or moved you on a personal level?
- Did anything bother you? What questions did you have?

### Making it Personal

Review with your group the impact this message made on you personally.

- What has helped you be consistent in reading the Bible? What has made it difficult?
- Is there a part of the Bible that still feels confusing or intimidating to you?
- Have you experienced Scripture feeling like a box you need to check off? Have you experienced it as something sweet that you can savor?
- How has community helped you live out Scripture in ways you couldn't alone?
- How do speed and busyness impact how you read the Bible?
- What would change in your life if scripture moved from your head into your guts?

### Scripture Review

Revisit some of the passages from this week and discuss the questions below:

- 2 Timothy 3:16-17 - What does this tell us about the purpose of Scripture?
- Psalm 19:7-11 – What are the tangible effects God's word has on a person's life?
- Hebrews 4:12 – What does this suggest about how God's word interacts with our inner life?

### Diving Deeper

Explore additional Scriptures that connect to this week's message:

- Old Testament: Deuteronomy 6:6–7; Psalm 1:1-3; Joshua 1:8, Isaiah 55:10-11
- New Testament: John 1:14, Hebrews 4:12; Colossians 3:16; Romans 12:2; John 14:23

## **Application & Action**

Spiritual maturity is not measured by information but by transformation.

This week, consider:

- Where am I spiritually today?
- Who do I want to be by this time next year?
- If your life looked exactly the same this time next year, what area would disappoint you the most?

With God's help and community support, small steps become lifelong change.

## **Revisit the Word**

- Read Psalm 19:7-11 aloud again.

## **Personal Reflection**

Take 2–3 minutes in silence and ask the Holy Spirit: “What step are You inviting me to take so that I may know, feel, and do Your Word this year?”

## **Group Discussion:**

- **Listening to Jesus:** What is one thing Jesus is inviting you to do with His Word this year?
- **Walking with Him:** How can applying Scripture become a normal part of daily life?
- **Anchoring in His Word:** Which verse motivates you to keep showing up in Scripture — even when you don't feel it?
- **Leaning on His People:** Who can you ask to walk with you as you move toward spiritual growth?
- **Growing in His Likeness:** How can Scripture shape your reactions, priorities, and relationships?
- **Action Step:** What habit could implement to help you read your Bible more consistently?

## **Daily 2-Minute Practice: Know → Feel → Do**

- **Pause** (30 sec): Invite God to soften your heart to His Word today.
- **Read** (1 min): Slowly read one verse. Ask: “What does this say about God?”
- **Respond** (30 sec): Whisper a one-sentence prayer of obedience — “Lord, help me live this today.”

## **Prayer**

Close your group time together with prayer.

Small habits. Big formation. God grows us as we keep saying yes.