

lifeLines Utility

Unexpected: Teaching Keep Forgiving

Reading My Bible: 30 Things

This method of reading scripture allows space and time for the Holy Spirit to specifically speak to our hearts through God's Word. This method is better suited for shorter passages.

Read the passage a few times. Let it sit with you. As insights, ideas, questions, applications come to mind, jot them down.

This method is best done by trying to find "30 Things" in 30 minutes. Adjusting for your lifeGroup schedule, try to do either "5 Things in 5 Minutes" or "10 Things in 10 Minutes".

After each person has had time to record their ideas, spend time sharing what stood out to you. What questions did you have? How did God speak to you in his Word today? What will you do this week because of what you have read?

PASSAGE: [Matthew 18:21-35](#)

PRAY

Pray the Fifth Petition of the Lord's Prayer and Luther's Explanation.

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

LOVE

Find a way to sincerely forgive and gladly do good to someone who sins against you. Keep each other accountable and help each other follow through.

