

INDWELL is a Scripture-reading guide designed by City Church of Wilmington to promote your spiritual formation as you step into the biblical story and discover God, yourself, and the world.



THE ETERNAL LENS

WHO IS GOD?

We know the truth about earthly realities only when we consider them from the perspective of an eternal story. The Bible is that story. So we start by seeking the truth about God, the author and main character of the story who invites us into his unfolding drama.

Read the passage and then meditate on it for a few moments. Use these questions to guide your meditations on God's character:

God made people, places, and things to be glorious and whole. How does the passage point to God's original and perfect intentions for life?

What does the passage reveal about God's character and actions that cause you to love him more?

Pray in light of what God has revealed to you about himself. "Father God, thank you for revealing yourself. I learned or remembered that you are..."



THE PERSONAL LENS

WHO AM I?

Because we know what the passage says about God, we can now consider what it says to us and then begin to imagine our place in God's unfolding story.

Reread the passage. Pay attention to what's going on in your life and to what the passage says about your relationship with Jesus:

What grabs your attention most (a character, situation, image, word, phrase, or verse)? Why do you think that is?

In what ways do you fail to live in step with God's intentions for humanity in the passage (character, actions, speech, patterns of thought)?

How do Jesus and his work cover your failures and restore you to the life that God intends?

Pray in light of what God has revealed to you about yourself. "Lord Jesus, you have given me a new identity and life in you. Thank you for showing me that..."



THE MISSIONAL LENS

WHAT IS MY ROLE?

Our identity in Christ gives us new meaning and purpose. We now have a role to play in the drama of redemption. God invites us to love the world to life in the name of Jesus and through the power of the Spirit.

Reread the passage a final time. As you meditate, consider how God calls you to indwell his story for the good of others:

Imagine your day: In what circumstances will you have the opportunity to reflect the love of God?

Based on what God has revealed in the passage, how might you (individually and in community) invite others into the life that God intends for the world?

Pray in light of how God is calling you to reflect him in the world. "Holy Spirit, you empower your people to carry out God's mission in the world. Help me to do that by..."