



ABOUT DISCIPLE 2 BIBLE STUDY

DISCIPLE II: Into the Word Into the World is the second study in the four-phase Disciple program and is prepared for those who are graduates of *Disciple I: Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study*. This study proclaims the transforming power of Scripture while teaching Bible study skills that take participants deeper into the Scripture. The importance of keeping Bible study related to witness is reinforced while participants are encouraged to practice spiritual disciplines arising out of Scripture for the purpose of changing habits and transforming lives. The study also emphasizes the rhythm of coming to God and going for God, of being in the Word and in the world individually and corporately. This study understands the growing Christian as under discipline in community and in ministry to the world. *Into the Word Into the World* approaches all experiences of life as opportunities for faithful witness and service.

The Schedule:

Classes will meet weekly, with breaks for Christmas and Easter, for 1 ½ to 2 hours. Preparation will involve 5 days of Scripture readings, and a day spent on the material in the study guide. (The Scripture readings are shorter, but more in-depth, than those in Disciple I.)

With the ZOOM option in place, there should be no need to miss class for snow days unless power is out, so all classes should be completed by the end of May with a projected recognition service date for Sunday, June 6.

The Class Format:

Each lesson will include a video on part of the week's readings by a Biblical scholar. Class time will then consist of discussions by the participants of the video, the week's Scripture assignments, the material presented in the study guide, and readings from the supplemental materials. Initially, participants will meet in small groups in homes and at the lesson site to view the video and take part in the small group discussions, then share with the class over the ZOOM platform, verbally and through written comments.

As Covid restrictions are eased, it is anticipated that more participants may wish to meet at the church, with the ZOOM platform still used to enable those at home to fully participate in the class. In this case, groups will need to bring a laptop to view the video and interact with class members off-site.

Lesson Materials:

Participants will need a study Bible and a Disciple 2 Study Guide, as a print or e-book, and a notebook for printed weekly lesson guides and supplemental materials. Lesson guides and other materials will be emailed to the participants each week, with printed versions available to anyone who needs them.

A printed version of Study Guide may be purchased through Salem. Cokesbury is offering the books through August 31 for the sale price of \$31.99, and Salem will be submitting an order on that date. Books ordered through the church may be paid for in two installments of \$16, due by 9/15 and 11/17.

Participants can also order E-versions through Christianbook.com and Amazon, as shown below.