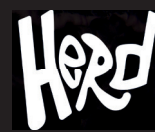


SCOPE & SEQUENCE



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In **Dive**, we've included one lesson set for each month of the calendar year. We recommend that you start in August with the four lessons included in *Basic Training*. Depending on your needs, you can start anywhere, skip a lesson, or base your sequence on the needs of your group. Below is a description for each set of lessons included in **Dive**, as well as a suggested overall sequence.

SUGGESTED SEQUENCE



BASIC TRAINING (4 Lessons)

AUGUST

FOUR LESSONS ON CORE BELIEFS THAT HELP SHAPE OUR SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH.

The enemy doesn't give up once we become a Christ-follower. If anything, the attacks come harder now that you are a threat. In this study, we will take a look at how different people in the Bible handled temptation when it came their way.

1. God's Character Revealed (Exodus 34:5–8, John 1:1–5)
2. Our Sin Separates, Jesus' Sacrifice Saves (Romans 5:12–21, Hebrews 10:11–14)
3. God's Forgiveness Is Not Earned, It's Received (Romans 10:5–13)
4. Those Who Spend Time With God Become Like God (Jeremiah 29:12–13, Mark 1:35–39)



MULTIPLY (4 Lessons)

SEPTEMBER

FOUR LESSONS ABOUT SHARING WITH OTHERS WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED FROM FOLLOWING JESUS.

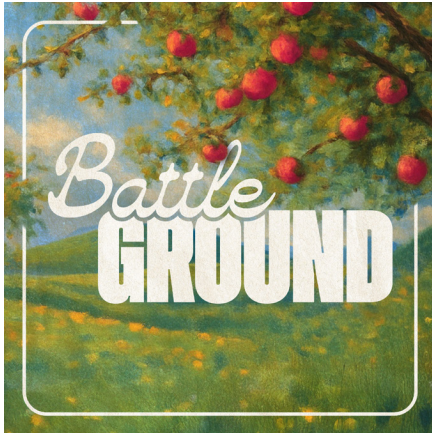
This study takes a look at several people who intentionally brought others to Jesus. Part of the discipleship process involves sharing with others what you've learned from following Jesus. This includes telling unbelievers about who Jesus is and the changes he's made in your life.

1. Be Our Guest (Luke 5:27–32)
2. No Friend Left Behind (Luke 5:17–26)
3. Spill The Tea (John 4:27–30, 39–42)
4. No Time Like The Present (John 1:35–42)

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BATTLEGROUND (4 Lessons)

OCTOBER

FOUR LESSONS THAT TAKE A LOOK AT HOW DIFFERENT PEOPLE IN THE BIBLE HANDLED TEMPTATION WHEN IT CAME THEIR WAY.

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1. The Sword of Truth (Luke 4:1–12)
2. Run From Temptation (Genesis 39)
3. Sin Snowballs (2 Samuel 11)
4. Sweet then Sour (Genesis 3:1–7)



WHO I'M NOT (4 Lessons)

NOVEMBER

FOUR LESSONS ON FINDING OUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST.

It's easy to find our identity in things other than Christ. The cool stuff we own, what people think about us, and the abilities we have are all common sources we often go to to build our confidence and identity. But all of those will eventually fade and let us down. Only the Creator can give true purpose and meaning to creation. Only when we find our identity in Christ will we be complete.

1. Get Owned! (Luke 18:18–30)
2. It's Not About The Likes (Matthew 23:1–12)
3. God Goals (1 Samuel 17:41–49)
4. Transformation Mode (2 Corinthians 6:16–21)



THE CHRISTMAS STORY (4 Lessons)

DECEMBER

FOUR LESSONS THAT FOCUS ON THE WONDER OF THE CHRISTMAS STORY.

Holiday traditions and storytelling have slightly altered the real story of Christmas. This study will turn to Scripture to get a clear picture of the story that unfolded during the time before, during, and after the birth of Jesus. All involved in this wondrous and marvelous moment in time responded with worship.

1. The Christmas Story Began with a Yes (Luke 1:26–38, Matthew 1:18–25)
2. The Christmas Story Is for All People (Luke 2:8–14)
3. The Christmas Story Lifts the Lowly (Luke 2:15–20)
4. The Christmas Story Involves Offerings (Matthew 2:1–12)



COUNTING THE COST (4 Lessons)

JANUARY

FOUR LESSONS ABOUT THE COST OF FOLLOWING CHRIST.

Sometimes there is a misconception that if one simply chooses to follow Jesus, everything in their life will work out. The Bible teaches something different. Jesus warned his disciples that following him would come with a cost and that they should expect opposition. If we do our best to live like Jesus, there is a great chance people will treat us the way they did Jesus—some will love us and some will hate us.

1. Unsurprising Suffering (1 Peter 4:12–19)
2. The Friction of Faith (Matthew 10:16–23)
3. We All Face Rejection (John 1:11; 6:60–71)
4. Rejoicing in Persecution (Acts 5:17–42)



MORE THAN ME (4 Lessons)

FEBRUARY

FOUR LESSONS ABOUT LIVING LIKE CHRIST—IN A WAY THAT LIFTS UP EVERYONE AROUND US.

This study focuses on the Biblical mandate to look towards the needs of others, not just our own. Our natural desire and instinct are to take care of ourselves above everyone else. Christ teaches and demonstrates a different way to live, one that lifts up everyone around us.

1. After You (Philippians 2:1–11)
2. In The Name of Love (Luke 10:25–37)
3. How Low Can You Go? (John 13)
4. Solid Service (Matthew 20:20–28)



I DOUBT IT (4 Lessons)

MARCH

FOUR LESSONS ABOUT WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM BIBLICAL CHARACTERS WHO FACED MOMENTS OF DOUBT.

Doubts have a way of creeping into the minds of even the most devout followers of Jesus. It seems to be part of wrestling with our faith. In this series, we'll take a look at some Biblical characters who faced moments of doubt.

1. Seeing Is Believing (John 20:19–29)
2. Help My Unbelief! (Mark 9:14–29)
3. Spiritual Stumble (Matthew 26:69–75)
4. Chained Up in Doubt (Matthew 11:1–19)



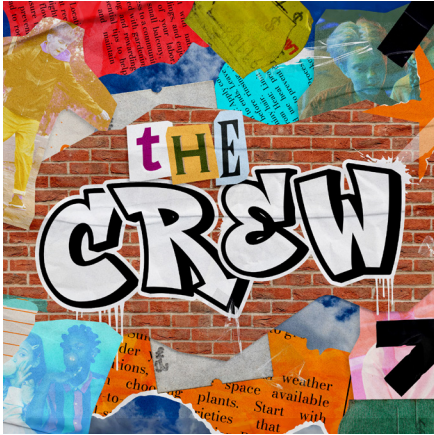
EASTER (4 Lessons)

APRIL

FOUR LESSONS ON THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE RESURRECTION.

It's incredible everything that occurred to Jesus and his disciples in such a short period. In just a handful of days, Jesus was arrested, put on trial, executed, rose from the dead, and sent the Holy Spirit to help his followers. This study will take a closer look at those events.

1. Jesus Protects His People (John 18:1–12)
2. Jesus Claimed To Be God (John 18:19–24)
3. Crazy Compassion (John 19:16–30)
4. A Parting Gift (John 20:19–23)



THE CREW (4 Lessons)

MAY

FOUR LESSONS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF GODLY FRIENDS AND CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY.

We were not meant to live a life following Jesus all on our own. Even at creation, God pointed out that it's not good for us to be alone (Gen. 2:18). This study examines the importance of having godly friends and Christian community.

1. True Friends Have God in Common (Ecclesiastes 4:9–12)
2. True Friends Live with Purpose (Mark 6:7–13)
3. True Friends Are Loyal To Each Other (Ruth 1:6–18)
4. True Friends Celebrate One Another (1 Samuel 18:1–5)



WAIT! WHAT? (4 Lessons)

JUNE

FOUR LESSONS THAT EXPLORE THE SPIRITUAL TRUTHS FOUND IN SOME OF THE WEIRD BUT TRUE STORIES IN GOD'S WORD.

The Bible is full of amazing, unbelievable, and, sometimes, very strange stories. This series is a fun one that takes a closer examination of some of the weird but true stories we find in God's Word. Even in the wild stories of the Bible, there are spiritual truths we can learn or God wouldn't have included them in his Word.

1. The Left-Handed Legend (Judges 3:12–30)
2. God's Security Squad (2 Kings 2:19–25)
3. "DONKEY!!" (Numbers 22:22–35)
4. The Fish Flex (Matthew 17:24–27)



HEAVEN AND HELL (4 Lessons)

JULY

FOUR LESSONS ON WHAT GOD'S WORD HAS TO SAY ABOUT LIFE AFTER DEATH.

We don't have a full understanding of what Heaven and Hell will be like—it's impossible for a finite mind to grasp the infinite. However, the Bible teaches us enough about both to know where we want to end up. This study takes a look at what God's Word has to say about life after death.

1. Faith Determines Future Destination (Matthew 13:47–50)
2. God Erases the Effects of Sin (Revelation 21:1–5)
3. Death Comes for Everyone (Luke 16:19–31)
4. The Hope of Heaven (Revelation 21:9–27)