

# Through The Bible In One Year

## The Adventure of Many Lifetimes

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**Theme:** Preparing for the Great Adventure  
**Kick Off Week Small Group Bible Study & Sunday School Lesson**

### Open (Sharing our Own Stories & Getting To Know One Another)

1. What subject was hardest for you in school? Why? 2. Share the story of a time when you've been without power. What are your big worries? What did you do for light? 3. Who is your most trusted adviser, most helpful in shedding light on tough decisions you have to make? What qualities make him or her so?

### Going Deeper Into God's Word Together

**Read aloud Isaiah 55.8-11; Psalm 119.105, and John 8.31-32.**

How different does Isaiah say God is from human beings? How does this passage suggest we can know God, his thoughts toward us, and his will and way for us? By comparing his Word to the rain and the snow, what is God saying about the power and effect his Word will have in the world? In our lives?

When the Psalmist says God's Word is a light to our path and lamp to our feet, what is he saying about our need for his Word? How is life like a journey in the darkness? How is God's Word like a lantern or lamp?

What does being a disciple of Jesus mean? How does God's Word relate to being a disciple of Jesus? How does "abiding" or "remaining" in God's Word lead to knowing the truth? Becoming truly free?

### Reflecting On What God Is Telling Us:

How's the going in your life journey right now? Life's \_\_\_clear course and smooth sailing \_\_\_ sometimes clear, sometimes confused \_\_\_ like a tangled, trackless woods.

How bright is the lamp of God's Word burning in your life right now? \_\_\_Blazing \_\_\_ Beginning to burn \_\_\_ Flickering \_\_\_ Dimming \_\_\_ Completely Dark?

### Applying/Putting Into Practice What God's Told Us

How does getting together with other believers to discuss and apply God's Word turn up your wattage? Reading God's Word daily ourselves? Worshipping weekly? Telling others? What can you do this week to move God's lumination up a notch in your life?

