

# Through The Bible In One Year

## The Adventure of Many Lifetimes

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Theme: Breaking Up Is Hard To Do (Real Repentance, That is)

Week 31 Small Group Bible Study & Sunday School Lesson

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

1. What is your favorite season? 2. What changes does this season bring? 3. What spiritual truths can we draw from observing the recreation of life in the changing of the seasons?

### Going Deeper Into God's Word Together

Read aloud 2 Chronicles 33.1-6, 10-13, 15-17; Psalm 25. 4-15;  
1 Corinthians 1.18-29.

Chronicles: 1. Manasseh "did much evil in the eyes of the Lord, provoking him to anger." What were those evils? What present day evils might provoke the Lord to anger? 2. The Lord spoke to Manasseh and his people, but they paid no attention. What are the consequences for any who choose not to heed the Lord's words? 3. How can we show our gratitude to God for his mercy, when we, like Manasseh, repent and are forgiven?

Psalm: 1. David seeks God's guidance and teaching in his truth. How does that God do that for a Christian? 2. Why is it important to David (and us) that God remember us 'according to his love'? (vs. 7) 3. What are the benefits of 'fearing the Lord'?

Corinthians: 1. How is the cross "foolishness to those who are perishing"? 2. How is the cross the power of God "to us who are being saved"? 3. God's wisdom is vastly superior to ours. What wisdom of God is needed right now in our homes, churches, communities?

### Reflecting On What God Is Telling Us:

1. What barriers do you need God's help in breaking down, in order for him to recreate you? \_\_\_\_\_old hurts \_\_\_\_\_bad habits \_\_\_\_\_control issues \_\_\_\_\_poor relationships \_\_\_\_\_self-centeredness.
2. What can it mean for your life to know that God forgave and transformed men like Manasseh and Paul?

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

This week, whom can you tell about God's transforming power?