



BIKER BIBLE GROUP (BBG) AGENDA

TOPIC: John 19

BEFORE YOU ATTEND THE NEXT BIKER BIBLE GROUP (BBG) MEETING ...

Pray: For your group leaders and for others in your BBG. Also remember to pray for the ministry team at the Biker Bible Institute.

Read: John 19

Focus: On the story of the death of Jesus (John 19:28-37):

28 Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." **29** A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. **30** When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

31 Now it was the day of Preparation, and the next day was to be a special Sabbath. Because the Jewish leaders did not want the bodies left on the crosses during the Sabbath, they asked Pilate to have the legs broken and the bodies taken down. **32** The soldiers therefore came and broke the legs of the first man who had been crucified with Jesus, and then those of the other. **33** But when they came to Jesus and found that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. **34** Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus' side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water. **35** The man who saw it has given testimony, and his testimony is true. He knows that he tells the truth, and he testifies so that you also may believe. **36** These things happened so that the scripture would be fulfilled: "Not one of his bones will be broken," **37** and, as another scripture says, "They will look on the one they have pierced."

Review: The Supporting Scripture passages below:

- [Ps 22:15, NIV] My mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death.
- [Ps 69:21, NIV] They put gall in my food and gave me vinegar for my thirst.
- [Mark 15:36, NIV] Someone ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down," he said.
- [Luke 22:37, NIV] It is written: "And he was numbered with the transgressors"; and I tell you that this must be fulfilled in me. Yes, what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment."
- [Matt 27:50, NIV] And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.
- [Deut 21:23, NIV] you must not leave the body hanging on the pole overnight. Be sure to bury it that same day, because anyone who is hung on a pole is under God's curse. You must not desecrate the land the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance.

Reflect: Each Support Scripture passage was selected because it connects to something that is going on in the Focal (Focus) Scripture passage. Reflect on possible connections and pray about deeper meanings for this special story.

AT THE BBG MEETING ...

Social: Start with fellowship. If possible, set aside 30-60 minutes for a meal together or heavy snacks in someone's home. Enjoy being friends together!

Pray: Open together with prayer. Remember to pray for needs in your community.

Read: The Focal Scripture (John 19:33-34).

Talk: Talk about the Focal Scripture.

- What was going on? What are the key points of the story?
- Did anything stand out in this passage?
- What would someone remember after reading it?

Talk: About the questions for this session.

Observation

- What is (are) the central thought(s) in John 19?
- Are there any words or ideas that keep coming up in the passage?
- Who is (are) the main characters in the passage?

Interpretation

- What do you think this Scripture passage meant to the early church?
- What was the writer trying to tell the world about Jesus?
- Are there any eternal truths for us in this passage? Explain.

Application

- How might this passage apply to us today?
- Does this passage speak to any needs or problems in modern society?
- Is there any part of this passage we could turn into a prayer?

Reflect: Standard Discipleship Questions: "Based on what we read and talked about..."

- "What should I start doing in my life?"
- "What should I stop doing in my life?"
- "What should I change in my life?"

Look: Ahead to the next BBG session (John 20).

Pray: For each other, your community and your leaders, the BBI ministry team, and the peace of Jerusalem.

AFTER THE BBG MEETING ...

Act: On your insights from the “Discipleship Questions.” Pray about ways you might start, stop, or change doing something in your life. Ask the Holy Spirit for help.

Invite: Someone new to your next BBG group.

And a highway will be there; it will be called the Way of Holiness; it will be for those who ride (*walk*) on that Way. The unclean will not journey on it; wicked fools will not go about on it. (Isa 35:8, NIV)

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