

### HOW TO USE THE BIBLE

*James 1:18-25*

#### MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. HOW TO VIEW THE BIBLE
2. HOW TO DO THE BIBLE

#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick one or two of these to talk about as a group

1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Why?
2. This week's message was all about how we approach the Bible. How was the Bible viewed in the home you grew up in? How do you view it now?
3. In James 1:18 we see that to be a Christian means you are born again. But if we are honest, Christians often don't see the amount of change in their lives that you'd think would come with being born again. Where do you want to see more change in your life? Did the teaching from this week help you see a way forward?
4. What are some things you've read or heard from the Bible that are hard for you to "humbly receive"? How do we become the type of people who are able to receive challenging ideas humbly?
5. James refers to God's Word as a mirror. What are some things the Bible has shown you about yourself?
6. How do you think you respond when people speak into your life? Ask someone this week how you respond when they speak into your life.
7. We looked at three guidelines out of James 1:18-25 for how to be a "doer of the Word". They are: 1) study the Word intently 2) study the Word reflectively and 3) study the Word obediently. Which of the three guidelines can you spend time focusing on this week? What is your plan?

**A TRUTH TO TAKE WITH YOU:** The only way to read the Bible in a way that brings joy instead of despair is to see Jesus in it.