

THE BOOK OF
ROMANS
THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO PAUL

WELCOME / OPEN IN PRAYER

INTRODUCTIONS: Share the topic & takeaway this week.

REVIEW FROM LAST WEEK: As a follower of Christ, have you recognized Christ influences your life in your actions, choices, and daily perspective?

GOD-STORIES: A God-story is an undeniable encounter or experience with God that creates an impact or breakthrough in a person's day-to-day life.

REVIEW THE GUIDELINES: Share the guidelines to set the rails for group time.

WEEK # 7

TITLE: WE HAVE A CHOICE

THEME: Following God's plans

TAKEAWAY: God has created us with the choice of free will. It is up to us to choose God's plans instead of our own and know that His plans are always better.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT | CONFIDENTIALITY | LISTEN | PAUSE | SILENCE | NO "CROSS TALK"
NO FIXING | NO RESCUING | SHARING | SELF AWARE | "I" STATEMENTS | CONFLICT**



**ASK A THOUGHT-PROVOKING
QUESTION TO GET THE
GROUP FOCUSED**

Share a time in your life when you listened to sound advice and, as a result, experienced a profoundly positive outcome.

**SHARE BACKGROUND AND PROVIDE
CONTEXT TO THE BIBLE STORY.**

As the Israelites pressed on through the unforgiving wilderness, they found their reliance on God's guidance constantly challenged. The arduous journey brought them face to face with numerous trials, including the persistent thirst that gripped them in the harsh desert environment. Little did they realize that their response to the impending water crisis would shape their ultimate destiny.

Unbeknownst to the weary travelers, a test of faith and obedience loomed just ahead, where the consequences of their choices would be unveiled. In this critical moment, the steadfastness of their leader, Moses, would be put to the ultimate test, alongside the entire community's response.

Amidst the vast and arid wilderness, as their longing for water grew ever more desperate, the stage was set for a profound lesson in heeding the voice of God. This profound lesson would soon unfold through the events chronicled in Exodus 17:1-7 and Numbers 20:1-13, leaving an indelible mark on their perilous journey towards the Promised Land.

**VOLUNTEER FROM LAST WEEK
SHARES THE STORY:
Exodus 17:1-7 and Numbers 20:1-13**

**INVITE EVERYONE TO ENGAGE BY
BUILDING THE STORY.**

**READ SCRIPTURE OUT LOUD TO
SEE IF ANYTHING WAS ADDED OR
OMITTED**

Support Passages: Romans 7

DIVE DEEPER WITH DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What were the specific challenges and circumstances that the Israelites faced? How did these challenges impact their relationship with God and trust in His provision?
2. In the past how, have you doubted God's provision and questioned His faithfulness in your life?
3. How can you actively listen to God's voice, and what steps can you take to follow God's instructions when faced with difficult circumstances?
4. Write your question: _____ ?

PRAYER REQUESTS

Share & record prayer requests & follow up throughout the week

**ASSIGN NEXT WEEK'S STORY:
Galatians 5:16-26**

ASK A VOLUNTEER TO CLOSE IN PRAYER.