TREASURE SEEKER

A WORKBOOK FOR WOMEN SEEKING JESUS THROUGH A DEEPER BIBLE STUDY

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Here's the thing ...

I fear many women are famished for the Word of God. It's no wonder why. Many of us have been feeding on the crumbs that devotionals give rather than feasting on the Bread of life.

We've been told as women that we can live off of those crumbs, and that the feast of deep truths and theology is better left for the men. But theology and an immense knowledge of the Bible is for every disciple of Christ.

I created this guided study for women who are seeking a deeper knowledge of Jesus through scripture. It can be used by both the Bible study newbie as well as the theology loving gal.

This Bible study is unique in that you can choose any epistle from the New Testament and use this workbook to work through it.

There are three parts to this workbook. It will guide you in finding the context, making observations, seeking interpretation of the text, and applying what you've learned to your life. Once you complete your study of a book, please remember to read a couple commentaries to check your interpretation. I pray that through your study you would be more deeply rooted in the Word of God and that your heart would treasure Christ more.

Ways to use this workbook:

- >> Print out and place in a three-ring binder for your own study.
- >> Use to go through an epistle with a friend, mentor, or someone you're mentoring.
- >> Use as a guide while taking notes in your own journal.
- >> Use to go through an epistle with a group of women at your church.

DON'T FORGET TO Pray

I encourage you to cover your bible study in so much prayer. Wisdom comes from the Lord, but we must ask for it with a humble heart.

- >> **Pray** for wisdom at the beginning of each study time.
- >> **Pray** for wisdom during your study as questions come.
- >> **Praise** God for who he is and any of his attributes found within the passage you're studying.
- >> **Pray** that God would reveal how you should apply what you've learned to your life.

Happy Bible Studying!

-Britt

INTRODUCTION SEEKING CONTEXT

Read the entire book and write down everything you find about the author and recipients below.

AUTHOR **RECIPIENTS**

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 Now it's time to search for themes to help you determine the occasion and purpose of the letter. See how I've defined these terms below.

Theme: A message that is reiterated throughout the book or seems to be important.

Occasion: The event or issue which has caused the necessity for the letter.

Purpose: The author's goal in writing the letter/his exhortation to the recipients.

• Read the entire book again and write down any possible themes you find.

THEMES

• Based on what you discovered about the author, recipients and themes, what do you think the occasion is? What about the purpose? (Refer back to definitions if needed.)

OCCASION:

PURPOSE:

SUMMARIZATION SEEKING AN OBSERVATION

• Now that you've looked at the book as a whole, it's time to zoom in a bit closer. Read each chapter and write a 2-3 sentence summary of what happened in the chapter. Stick to writing down facts only, and try not to interpret or apply just yet. This will build upon the context you've previously uncovered.

***I have provided enough space for summarizing the longest epistles.

CHAPTER 1

CHAPTER 2

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CHAPTER 4

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CHAPTER 7

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CHAPTER 10

CHAPTER II

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CHAPTER 13

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INTERPRETATION SEEKING UNDERSTANDING AND TAKING ACTION

By now, you have laid a foundation and should have the context fresh in your mind. You've made it to the best part! In this last portion of the study, you will take it passage by passage. Ideally, you should study 3-5 verses at a time and really dive into them. Seek out the interpretation of the text, keeping in mind the context at all times.

As you work through each passage, here are some tips:

>> Search for the author's intent and save application to your own life for the end of each study time.

>> Look up definitions of words you don't know as well as words in which your memory may need to be refreshed.

- >> Look up the original language using the Blue Letter Bible app.
- >> Read the passage in other translations. (i.e. ESV, YLT, NASB, and CSB)
- >> Pray for wisdom and understanding often.

On the following pages, I've provided space for notes, writing down any imperatives or indicatives, as well as application questions. However, because each person will need a different amount of pages for this part, I am only providing enough room to cover I day of study within this workbook. But don't fear! I've created a separate printable which can be printed at any time so that each person has access to as many as they need.

Feel free to opt for using your own journal! If you do, check out the application questions and make sure to journal your answers in your notebook.

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IMPERATIVES & INDICATIVES

Imperative: An authoritative command, given by the author.

Example: "Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry." (1 Corinthians 10:14)

Indicative: A statement or fact.

Example: "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." (1 Corinthians 1:9)

IMPERATIVES

INDICATIVES

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 \bigodot What did you find about God and his character in these verses?

○ How does this passage apply to your life today? How should it change you?