



Alleluia! Adult Ministries

Sermon-Based Study
for Connect Groups

March 24, 2019

Sermon Series: Overflow!
Title: Reading God's Word, Living God's Word
Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17

Connecting

Take a moment to introduce yourselves to one another.
Share a “High” and/or “Low” from the past week with the group.

Opening Prayer

Read Today's Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17

Discussion

1. Is reading the Bible part of your daily, weekly, or monthly life? Share a time in your life when you were really into reading the Bible?
2. When do you turn to the Bible, and what do you turn to it for?
3. Have you ever read one of the gospels in the New Testament (Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John) through front-to-back? Why should we know the story of Jesus and his teachings? What benefits come from knowing what Jesus said, taught, and did?
4. Pastor Tim talked about the difference between reading about something vs. experiencing it. What is something you've read about but have never experienced? Do you think there's a difference between reading God's Word and living God's Word? Why or why not? If so, what is that difference and how does it affect our lives?
5. Read Colossians 3:16 again. What do you think it means to have the message of Christ dwelling among you? Another translation of this verse reads, “Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly.” Can you be a Christ-follower if the Word of Christ does not dwell in you?
6. Share “best practices” with your group for trying to live out God's Word in your life, not just read it. What are ways you've been able to do that in your life? What are ways you've seen other Christian live out the words of the Bible?

Closing Prayer