

What if you could make all the time you need?

GETTING THE GANG TOGETHER

Write down your group's name:

Write down the name of your group's own unique holiday. Don't have one? Make one up! Usually having some kind of food tradition makes it stick. Example: Feaster a holiday combining Feast and Easter where our small group gets together to eat wings. Why? For fun!

TIMING YOURSELF

Write down who you want to be? What kind of person you'd like to be if you had all the time you needed to do that.

Now write down what you think everyone else in your group would do if they had more time. Then everyone go around and share what they thought the others would like to do if they had more time. This is different than what you think they would actually do. For example, they may like to repaint a bedroom but they may actually just be watching Netflix. Think "aspirational." Score

yourselves to see who guessed the others the best.

THIS WEEK'S GROUP METHOD BIBLE STUDY

GATHER

Are y'all together? Great! We're off to the races. If not? This whole GROUP Method thing isn't going to work that well.

READ

Have someone read Ephesians 5:15-21 out loud together.

OBSERVE

During and after the reading, write down your thoughts and observations from this passage. If you have a GROUP Method notebook, feel free to flaunt it. You've earned it this one time;) After you write down what you noticed, were confused about or had follow up questions, also write down what you think you should do to apply it to your life.

UNDERSTAND

Everyone go around and share your observations. Notice what stood out to y'all as a group, what everyone skimmed over, what common questions everyone had, or applications. Share anything that God might have put on your heart for someone else in the group. Not to pick on them, but to build them up, subjecting yourself to them (Ephesians 5:21). Remember the application in the Observation part is for you specifically. Now in understanding, talk together about how you (plural) can apply it as a group. What does this passage mean to y'all. Make a plan to hold each other to it. Assign roles if necessary and give feedback.

PRAYER

Invite God into your group, invite God to speak to you through the passage AND through those in your group, and pray that God would unite your group with him and each other.