

## LEADING A TRANSFERABLE BIBLE STUDY

### Discovery Bible Study (DBS or M:28 Method):

- A simple, reproducible cycle of engagement and Bible study model to be and to make obedient disciples of Jesus
- Students can literally 'stick it in their back pocket' and take it home with them to use again in their cultural & relational context

### Before launching DBS:

- Begin with prayer
- Be a blessing among students – this simply means finding ways to meet practical and felt needs of international students in your area
- Be known among students as a person who loves and cares for others, and especially, who loves God – be present in their world and in their comfort zones

### Starting a DBS:

- Begin through relationship, find spiritually interested students and then ask the students if they have any friends who might also like to join
- Take turns facilitating the time of study
- Instead of preparing a curriculum, use the same question format every time, changing the Scripture each time – working through the preselected passages
- Meet in the student's home, on their campus, or in a coffee shop – in their space
- Meet as often as the group desires to meet, sometimes this does transition into a regular weekly time
- Continue as long as there is interest, and wait to see if any relationships will form into long-term discipleship relationships with new followers of Jesus, who want to share their faith with others

### Structure of a DBS:

- Connect - Sharing about their week and application from the last meeting
- Discover - Studying the chosen portion of Scripture
- Respond - Application questions, then closing in prayer

### Rules of a DBS:

- Encourage the group to share in sentences, not paragraphs, so that no one dominates
- Focus only on what this passage is saying, and on what this group sees
- Give people time to respond, silence is ok

### Why is this study so different?

- Focuses on obedience more than knowledge and the transformation in peoples' lives
- It is about sharing what you learn right away, not waiting to become an expert
- Holds the DNA for multiplication

To get a list of Scriptures to use, visit [www.M28global.org](http://www.M28global.org) or download the M:28 app by searching for "M28 Global Discipleship" in your app store

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