



SOAP Process for Fellowship Groups

SOAP (**S**cripture, **O**bservation, **A**pplication, **P**rayer) is a structured method of helping individuals and groups to process, journal, reflect on, and apply God's Word to their personal lives.

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SCRIPTURE: Read out loud the assigned passage(s) of Scripture two times. Allow God's Words to settle deeply into your heart and mind.

Psalms 84: ¹How lovely is Your dwelling place, Lord Almighty! ²My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. ³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young—a place near Your altar, Lord Almighty, my King and my God. ⁴Blessed are those who dwell in Your house; they are ever praising You. ⁵Blessed are those whose strength is in You, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage. ⁶As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. ⁷They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion. ⁸Hear my prayer, Lord God Almighty; listen to me, God of Jacob. ⁹Look on our shield, O God; look with favor on Your anointed one. ¹⁰Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked. ¹¹For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor; no good thing does He withhold from those whose walk is blameless. ¹²Lord Almighty, blessed is the one who trusts in You.

OBSERVATION: Observe the text individually in silence. Write down your insights. Ask the Holy Spirit to teach you and reveal truth to you.

Write down as many observations as you can about the passage(s).

- What jumps out to you in the passage?
- Who is it written by? Who is it written to?
- What's one thing you didn't notice before?
- What seems interesting or unusual?
- What comes before and after the text?
- Is there repetition, comparison, or contrast?

APPLICATION | Discuss the observations that each of you made and talk about how to apply the teaching to your everyday lives.

PRAYER | Close with prayer.