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# BEST SUMMER LEADER GUIDE *EVER*

## MAIN IDEA

If we are regularly reading God's Word, we keep our compass pointed towards the true source of life and truth.

## WELCOME 10 MINUTES

You can talk about past memories or future plans, but keep an eye on the time so your group doesn't have to miss out on the meat of the study and action plan later.

## WORSHIP 10 MINUTES

If you choose the music option, go ahead and have the music ready ahead of time. The YouTube video with lyrics might help people reflect on the words.

## WORD 30 MINUTES

**Leader's Note:** Keep in mind that this week's study and discussion is all about the practical. Don't just sit around talking about how Bible study is important, make sure there is an action plan! Make sure to read the Works section to help facilitate an action plan with or alongside your group utilizing the Bible reading resources.

- 1) teaching, 2) rebuking—calling someone away from sin, 3) correcting—guiding someone back, 4) training in righteousness—obedience in the pursuit of holiness, 5) equipped for good works.
3. This passage is called the "Shema" (pronounced "Sha-mah") which is Hebrew for "Hear" as in "Hear, O Israel" which is the beginning

of Deuteronomy 6:4. Jesus even references this passage when asked about the "greatest command" in Matthew 22:36-40. The focus is keeping the Word of God, especially the commandments of God, at the forefront of our lives and family.

4. Receive, respond, reap.
5. Hopefully, this will be a time for people to reflect and realign their schedules to prioritize reading the Bible.
6. This question is meant to be a platform for people who want to read the Bible but need help. Whether it's where to start, how to read scripture, how to read different genres of scripture, how to apply scripture, or how to use a study Bible there are tons of fixable reasons for why people read their Bible but get nothing out of it.

## WORKS 10 MINUTES

1. A well-structured life provides us with a battle plan to stay on course. Such as a mealplan will help us adhere to our diet, a budget will keep us from overspending, and the discipline of daily reading of his Word will keep us pointed on the true north so we will not lose our orientation as we navigate through life – and our best summer ever!
2. Leader, encourage everyone to make a plan, and lead by example. Make it a point this summer to continually check-in about how Bible reading is going and what is something the Lord has taught them, whether it is one-on-one or during casual hangouts.