

3/3 Meeting Format for Oral Learners

LOOK BACK (1/3 of your time)

Care Share a meal. Check up on how everyone is doing. See what each person is thankful for or is struggling with. Pray for one another as needs are mentioned if it is a group of believers. If there is a significant issue then stay after your meeting to deal with it.

Check-up (Never skip)

*How have you **obeyed** what you have learned?*

*Who have you **trained** in what you have learned?*

*With whom have you **shared** your story or God's story? (Use this only with believers.)*

Vision (Never skip) Share a story from the Bible, a personal story, an inspiring slogan or song to encourage one another to share Jesus with others, to start new groups, and to help others do the same.

LOOK UP (1/3 of your time)

Talk with God Simply and Briefly to ask for guidance in the study.

Tell the Story and Discuss. Whoever learned the story should tell it twice. Then quiz the group on what happened first then next and so on. Then have one or two people in the group retell the story with help from the group. Then discuss the following questions, one at a time:

- 1. What did you like about this story?*
- 2. What did you find difficult about this story?*
- 3. What does this story teach about people?*
- 4. What does this story teach about God?*

LOOK FORWARD (1/3 of your time)

Obey. Train. Share (Never skip) Have everyone in the group pray for the Spirit to show them how to answer these questions (if it is a group of believers), then make commitments related to the following questions:

- 5. How will you **obey** this story?*
- 6. Who will you **train** with this story?*
- 7. With whom will you **share** your story or God's story? (Use this only with believers.)*

Practice (Never skip) In groups of two or three, practice what you have committed to do in question 5, 6 or 7. The first item to practice should always be telling the story. Then, if necessary one could role-play a difficult conversation or facing a temptation or practice sharing one's testimony or the Gospel.

Talk With God If the group is composed of believers then stay in groups of two or three and pray for every member individually. Ask God to prepare the hearts of the people who will be hearing the story or hearing about Jesus this week. Ask Him to give you the strength to be obedient to your commitments.