

# Using FAITH Magazine Devos in Your Small Group

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Tucked inside every issue of a Sweet to the Soul FAITH Magazine are thoughtful devotions you can read in your quiet time. Each devotion begins with a scripture from God's Word, shares practical life application stories, reflection questions, and prayers that are perfect for jumpstarting your quiet time. They are also easy to use in a small group setting to spark discussion about God's Word as you fellowship together.

## Using a Devo in Your Small Group:

1. Gather your group. It may be a close friend, a few co-workers, or a small group that you study God's Word with routinely.
2. Read the Scripture at the beginning of the devotion together. It's wonderful if everyone has their Bible's open to read along. Consider asking others to share the verse in the translation of the Bible they are currently using.
3. Offer a time of prayer. Thank God for your time together and ask Him to speak through the words of the author and most important, through His Word.
4. Read the devotion and invite others to underline or highlight anything that stands out to them as you read. Allow everyone to share what spoke to them as you shared.
5. Read the reflection questions together and discuss. Give everyone time to share their thoughts while gently guiding the conversation to ensure the group remains on topic.
6. End your time together with the closing prayer, offering an opportunity for anyone who feels led to pray for one another to do so.

## Take it further:

1. Read the scripture in context, taking time to discuss the text together.
2. Verse map the focal verse from the devotion together.
3. Play soft worship music and suggest that everyone take time to journal their thoughts and prayers.
4. Offer light refreshments and allow time for conversation to continue.
5. Provide note cards, colored pens, and washi-tape. Invite everyone to write the verse of scripture on the card and decorate it as they wish. Encourage your group to post the verse in a place they will read it often.
6. Suggest everyone read a verse a day from the coordinating month's scripture reading list found in the front of the magazine.