TAKE HOME [2] HOW TO READ THE BIBLE

We need God to speak to us, both in our minds and our hearts. If we are left to our own devices the world and culture around us will shape us, not God. Here we spend some time letting God shape us using an old Bible reading method called the 'Swedish Bible Study Method'. This shaping of your minds can happen when we engage with the Holy Spirit through the Bible. Start by taking the Gospel of Matthew (or another gospel). As you read or listen to a short section of the Bible, take a moment to pray that God will be speaking to you through it, then use these questions to help you hear Him.



WHAT JUMPS OUT TO ME?

This should be something in the passage that grabs your attention, maybe challenge, inspiration or something weird.



ANY BURNING QUESTIONS?

This is anything you find hard to understand, or wish you could ask the writer. No question is too silly.



WHAT ABOUT GOD?

God is not made up of our imagination but made us to be friends with Him. What does this show about His nature and intentions?



WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE?

We were made in His image but have been distorted by ego, fear and pain. What does this show of who we were made to be?



WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?

We are invited by Jesus to live life to the full and we learn by doing. What are you going to do about what you've read?