

"These stories connect readers with their own ability to hear and activate them to walk in this gift in everyday experiences." —Bill Johnson

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A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR
THE SUPERNATURAL CHURCH

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Foreword by John Loren Sandford

excerpt:

"Gone are the days when Christians were content to base their beliefs on subjective experience or philosophical human reasoning. All experience and philosophy must bow to God's truth."

objectives:

- ❖ Get acquainted with the group and the book.
- ❖ Generate anticipation for the rest of the study.
- ❖ Start discussion about the Word of Knowledge.

assignments:

FOR NEXT WEEK:

- ❖ Acquire a copy of *The Word of Knowledge in Action*.
- ❖ Read the Introduction and Chapter 1.
- ❖ Read First Corinthians, Chapter 12 in the Bible.

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S M A L L G R O U P S T U D Y

Lesson 1:

Introduction to the Small Group Study

Welcome to the small group study of *The Word of Knowledge in Action*! In this introductory lesson, you will get an idea of what to expect throughout this 10-week study, and you'll also have an opportunity to get to know the rest of the group.

Discussion Questions:

1. We'll start with a simple icebreaker to get things moving. Have each person share their name and two things that they don't think anyone else in the room knows about them.
2. How many people in this room have ever heard of the spiritual gift of a Word of Knowledge? Share your current understanding of the gift with the group (even if it is different from what others share).
3. Throughout church history, there have been many different definitions given for this spiritual gift. Why do you suppose that is?
4. Our God is often mysterious. Therefore, does it matter if we ever understand and comprehend what this spiritual gift is and how to implement it? Why or why not?
5. What are the benefits of studying a spiritual gift like the Word of Knowledge?
6. Read through the Table of Contents for the book. Have each person share which chapter looks most interesting to him or her and why.
7. Have each person share what they hope to get out of studying this book with the group.

Application:

Now that people have shared what they want to get out of the book, it's time to pray for each other. Have each person pray for the one on his or her right, asking the Lord to encourage and uplift the person—exceeding his or her expectations—throughout this study. Be specific based on what each person shared earlier.

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