## **Bible Study Workshop**

| Step 1: Read God's Word  | Step 2: What Does God's Word Say?   | Step 3: What Does<br>God's Word Mean?  | Step 4: What Does God's Word Mean in My Life?  |
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| Read the passage   | Re-read the passage, list outstanding facts<br>Do NOT paraphrase            | Draw lessons from the facts<br>Look for a command, warning, example<br>or promise                            | Reword the lessons from<br>Step 3 in the form of a question  |
| <ul> <li>Luke 10:38 – 42</li> <li>v. 38 As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him.</li> </ul>                                 | v. 38 Jesus came to a village   | v. 38 Jesus has come to our village<br>Paradise Point.   | v. 38 Am I aware that Jesus is here?   |
|  | Martha opened her home to him.  | Jesus enters home/hearts that are open to Him.   | When have I opened my home, or my heart, to Jesus?   |
| v. 39 She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.  | v. 39 She had a sister, Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet, listening.        | v. 39 Siblings within the same home can have very different priorities.                                      | v. 39 Which sibling am I most like?  |
| v. 40 But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" | v. 40 Martha was distracted by preparations.                                | v. 40 Busyness and burdens can distract us and keep us from listening to Jesus.                              | v. 40 What busyness or worries are keeping me from being still and reading God's Word in order to listen to what He has to say?                                  |
|  | She asked, "Lord, don't You care that my sister has left me to do the work? | We can assume Jesus doesn't care about how hard we work.   | Do I think Jesus doesn't really care about how hard I work?  |
|  | Tell her to help."  | Our prayers can become demanding.  | What am I telling Jesus to do?   |
| v. 41 "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things,   | v. 41 "Martha," the Lord answered,  | v. 41 Jesus knows our name—His answers to our prayers are personal.  | v. 41 What does Jesus know about my busyness? Is it pleasing to Him?   |
|  | "you are worried about many things.   | Jesus knows how busy and distracted we are.  | When have I talked to Him about it?  |
| v. 42 but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."   | v. 42 Mary has chosen what is better  | v. 42 Making time to listen to Jesus is better than busily doing all the things that we have have scheduled. | v. 42 What do I think is better than reading my Bible and listening for Jesus to speak to me through it? 15 more minutes of sleep? Watching TV? Surfing the web? |
|  | It will not be taken from her."   | Jesus will help us guard our time with Him.  | How will I help Jesus guard my time with Him?  |

## Step 5: Live It Out

I want to be a Mary — a listener and a learner. Therefore, I will carve out time every day to sit still, read my Bible, and listen for the voice of Jesus to teach me.

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