

# Growing Spiritual Oneness

## *Reading the Bible Together*

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### Discuss Together

What do you do when you come across parts you don't understand?  
What has your experience been of reading the Bible?

Spiritual Oneness is shaped by the Word of God. God uses Scripture and the Holy Spirit, along with our cooperation through obedience, to renew our minds and teach us who He is and what He desires for us and from us.

### Key Verses

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control...*

GALATIANS 5:22-23 (ESV)

*Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.*

ROMANS 12:2 (NLT)

### Discuss Together

What excites you about reading the Bible together?  
What barriers are there to reading the Bible together?

### Two steps to grow together spiritually

Make a \_\_\_\_\_ & Use \_\_\_\_\_

### Discuss Together

When would be a good time for us to try to read the Bible together?

## Using SOAP

S = \_\_\_\_\_

Remember: \_\_\_\_\_ is key.

O = \_\_\_\_\_

Questions to Consider...

- What does this text tell us about who Jesus is and what he wants for the world?... for us?... for me?
- What does it tell us about the character of God?
- What questions does this passage raise in your mind?  
Does it answer them?
- What is one thing in this passage particularly relevant for me personally and for us as a couple?

A = \_\_\_\_\_

The Key Question to Consider...

- What does it practically look like to live out the truths that I've just observed?

P = \_\_\_\_\_

\*Pray before, during and after you read the Bible.

Some things to pray for:

- Direction
- That God would reveal what He wants to teach you
- Strength to apply what you've read and learned

## Discuss Together

What excites you about the SOAP exercise?

How could you try implementing this exercise in your life and marriage?

***“Draw near to God and He will draw near to you...”***

JAMES 4:8A