

In a world increasingly unfamiliar with Scripture, there is a growing need for simple, relational, and reproducible approaches to spiritual discovery. Many people feel unqualified to read the Bible, let alone guide others through it. That's why we created the **3-2-1 Bible Practices**—a conversational, image-driven pathway designed for people with no prior knowledge of the Bible.

Most "Bible studies" focus on knowledge accumulation—filling our minds with information. However, the ultimate goal of Scripture is heart transformation, which is lived out practically in everyday life.

Whether you're exploring faith for the first time or helping others do the same, 3-2-1 makes it accessible.

What Is 3-2-1 Bible Practice?

3-2-1 refers to the flow of a session:

- Three Questions
- Two Bible Verses
- One Action

This format is both a discipleship tool and a reproducible model anyone can use to invite others into the exploration and expression of Scripture. It follows a natural storytelling rhythm—from setting, to story, to soul—and leads to practical life change.

The Visual Flow: Wide Shot → Medium Shot → Close-Up

1. Wide Shot Question – Revealing the Person's Setting

The first question provides context. It's like a wide-angle lens that captures the person's background, environment, or general perspective.

Example: "When was a time you felt totally unprepared for something?"

This sets the stage for engaging the first Bible verse.

2. Bible Verse – Theme Introduction

The first verse acts as a *starting point* for the theme. It offers an open door into spiritual reflection.

Example: Exodus 4:10-12 — Moses' excuse and God's reassurance.

This verse doesn't need to be exhaustive—just evocative.

3. Medium Shot Question – Revealing the Person's Story

The second question invites the person to place themselves within the theme. It connects the story of the Bible to the story of their life.

Example: "Have you ever had to do something you didn't feel ready for? What happened?"

Now, the theme gets personal.

4. Bible Verse – Theme Expansion

The second verse adds weight or contrast. It deepens or broadens the insight gained from the first verse.

Example: Philippians 1:6 — "He who began a good work in you..."

This creates a "bookend" effect, allowing the person to see the theme from multiple angles.

5. Close-Up Question - Revealing the Person's Heart

The third question brings it home. It draws attention to what's happening inside the person—what they feel, fear, or hope for.

Example: "Where do you most need God's help right now?"

This prepares them for action.

6. One Action - Practicing What Was Discovered

Every 3-2-1 session ends with a small, specific, and meaningful action.

Example: "This week, ask God for courage in one area where you feel unprepared, and take one step in that direction."

This reinforces spiritual formation and gives the person a sense of progress.

Why It Works

Simple – Anyone can do it. No prior training or Bible knowledge required.

Relational – Built for conversation, not lectures.

Empowering – Helps people learn how to read and share Scripture for themselves.

Transformational – Shifts the focus from merely knowing about God to actually becoming more like Him.

The Goal

The goal of a 3-2-1 Bible Practice is **not just understanding** but **transformation**. It's designed to:

- 1. Awaken curiosity in those unfamiliar with Scripture.
- **2. Empower confidence** in those who want to help others.
- 3. Encourage Christlikeness through simple obedience.

In short, it bridges the gap between head knowledge and lived faith, turning discovery into practice. This tool plants the seeds of discipleship in a form that's natural, compelling, and contagious.

Conclusion

3-2-1 Bible Practices are more than a format—it's a movement of everyday people discovering Jesus together. When many long for authentic spiritual experiences, this approach offers a way forward that is humble, human, and holy.

If you can ask questions, read two verses, and discuss one action, you can begin a discipleship journey with anyone.

