# FACILITATION HELP: KNOW WHAT SCRIPTURE SAYS

Have you prepared yourself for the small group discussion? In preparaing for your small group, take the time to do a study of what the Scripture says about the night's topic.. Be prepared to use Scripture as your ultimate source of authority for not only your actions, but also your understanding of truth. Know what it says and share how you rely on it to make decisions. It's OK to say, "I don't know," but to the best of your ability and time, be prepared, know Scripture, and use it as your ultimate source for life and faith as you lead and teach.



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## **CORE CONCEPTS**

The Scriptures serve as the ultimate and authoritative source for life and faith.

**Authoritative:** Trusted and reliable, having the power to influence or command thought or action

ESSENTIALS QUESTION: WHAT SERVES AS THE ULTIMATE AUTHORITY IN YOUR LIFE (FEELINGS, FRIENDS, ETC.)?

#### STUDENT DISCUSSION 1:

IS THE BIBLE AUTHORITATIVE REGARDLESS OF WHETHER PEOPLE BELIEVE IN IT OR NOT?

Explain.

STUDENT DISCUSSION 2: HOW IS THE BIBLE AUTHORITATIVE FOR YOUR LIFE AND FAITH?
STUDENT DISCUSSION 3: WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN A GOVERNMENT DOCUMENT AND THE SCRIPTURES DON'T AGREE?

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#### CONCLUDE YOUR DISCUSSION WITH:

- » **ACTION PLAN:** How do you plan to think and act differently?
- » **FINAL REFLECTION:** We should measure our life and experiences against the Bible as final authority from God.
- » **FINAL QUESTION:** What authority do you live by?