

Feasting on the Word Curriculum Guide for Virtual Use

This guide suggests ways to adapt *Feasting on the Word Curriculum* for virtual meetings.

Section 1 below is for adult groups and section 2 is a guide for families with children and/or youth. If your church uses *Feasting on the Word Curriculum* with multiple age groups, you may find useful suggestions in both sections to create what works for your Bible study.

This guide relies heavily on *Joining the Feast*, the connectional, all-church component of *Feasting on the Word Curriculum* and the various age level leader's guides. We also suggest you consider worship components from *Joining the Feast* to help tie the study and worship experience for your congregation. *Joining the Feast* is included in the small church and total church plans. You can also purchase *Joining the Feast* by 9-month or 12-month subscription or by individual season.

Resource sheets from the curriculum may be attached in an email to participants or printed and sent to them.

Section 1: Adult Participants

Use materials from the leader's guides and *Joining the Feast* with your participants to lead your group study.

- Use the resources sheets at the end of each session in the adult leader's guide. The first resource sheet provides excerpts from the *Feasting on the Word Commentary Series* for the week's focus scripture. Additional resource sheets are referenced among the activities in the leader's guide.
- Use questions from the *Young Adult Conversations on the Feast*. The questions can be used as written for young adults or tweaked, if necessary, to be age-appropriate for older youth or adults.
- Use the adult resource sheets in combination with *Young Adult Conversations on the Feast* for small, in-person group settings or meeting online.
- Review the "Making the Connections" charts in *Joining the Feast* and consider implementing some of the connectional elements into your worship.
- *Joining the Feast* has a section titled "Shape of the Season". Consider sharing information from that section that provides background information about the focus text.

Section 2: Families with Children

Use materials from age-specific leader's guides and *Joining the Feast* to lead your family group study.

- Each week use the Bible Story from the Multi-age leader's guide which has been adapted for children. The stories are also found in *Joining the Feast*.



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- Send the weekly children's bulletin from *Joining the Feast* to families.
- Review the "Making the Connections" charts in *Joining the Feast* and consider implementing some of the connectional elements into worship.
- Check the "Making the Connections" chart in *Joining the Feast* for each week's focus scripture to see if there are any activities that are suitable for families to do at home together.
- For adults in your group, use the resources sheets at the end of each session in the adult leader's guide. One of the resource sheets provides excerpts from the *Feasting on the Word Commentary Series* for the week's focus scripture. Other resource sheets are referenced among the activities in the leader's guide. Send these to your parents to do on their own time or invite them to review the sheets together in an online group if the children are able to work on the children's bulletin or other activity quietly in the background.