

Bold in the Storm

Leader's Facilitation Guide

Practical guidance for leading small groups and church studies through *Bold in the Storm*.

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Preface for Leaders

Thank you for leading others through *Bold in the Storm!* Your role as a facilitator is to create space for honest conversation, Spirit-led reflection, and loving accountability. This guide provides structure and confidence as you walk with your group through each session.

Recommended Session Flow (60–90 Minutes)

1. **Welcome & Prayer (5–10 min)** — Open with brief prayer and fellowship.
2. **Scripture Reading (10 min)** — Read the chapter's focus passage aloud.
3. **Teaching Review (15 min)** — Summarize main points from the book or outline.
4. **Group Discussion (30–40 min)** — Use Reader's Guide questions to guide conversation.
5. **Application & Prayer (10–15 min)** — Reflect on "My Bold Step" and pray together.
6. **Closing Encouragement (5 min)** — End with gratitude and Scripture.

Leadership Tips

- **Pray Before Every Session:** Ask the Holy Spirit to lead both discussion and timing.
- **Guide, Don't Dominate:** Facilitators draw out voices, not deliver lectures.
- **Encourage Vulnerability:** Model honesty and respect for all stories shared.
- **Handle Disagreement Gracefully:** Redirect conflict toward Scripture and prayer.
- **Keep Focused on Application:** Encourage members to live what they learn.
- **Protect Confidentiality:** Remind everyone that trust builds spiritual growth.

Facilitator's Reflection Page

After each meeting, take a few minutes to jot down observations and prayer needs:

- What stood out most during discussion?
- Did any member express a new spiritual breakthrough or concern?
- What theme should we pray over before next week?
- How did the Holy Spirit guide the conversation?

“Shepherd the flock of God that is among you... not by compulsion but willingly.” — 1 Peter 5:2

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