

# ANTICIPATE

1. Describe any exposure you had to the Bible growing up. Briefly summarize your attitude towards the Bible now.
2. How does the culture around us approach the Bible - what questions are others asking about the Bible, or attitudes do they have? Provide concrete examples if you can.
3. Brookside places a high emphasis on the Bible. How have you seen this practically take shape in the life of our church?
4. Do you think that placing a high value on the Bible is important? Why or why not?
5. Read Hebrews 4:12 and 2 Timothy 3:16.
  - What do these verses show us about what the Bible IS?
  - What difference does it make to see the Bible as "God's Word" that is "living and vactive" - rather than just another book?
6. Are there ways the transforming power of Scripture has been "living and active" in your life personally? Explain.
7. Three practical ways to value Scripture are mentioned below. Spend time explaining what each phrase means, and how you can take practical steps of application in that area.
  - Consistent daily time
  - Focused attention
  - Trusting obedience
8. Challenge: Memorize Hebrews 4:12: For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.