# **Facilitator Training**

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#### What is a PIVAT Small Group?

Several Daily Call partners meeting one hour a week sharing their PiVAT Weekly and praying for each other.

#### Why Do It?

"A PiVAT Small Group is the most powerful group dynamic I've ever been a part of! It's changed how I live my everyday life." – PSG Member. You will see God move; you will hear Him speak. He is no respecter of persons. This is a life-changing experience. You have never experienced anything like the power of daily obedience together with a group of daily obeyers. It will alter your mindset; it will establish you! Ask God if He wants you to lead others through this life-altering journey. You don't have to be an expert, just an obeyer who is humble, willing, who loves God, and loves people. It will change lives, it will change your church, it will change your family, your future, it will change you.

#### **How Does It Work?**

**Format:** Similar to a Daily Call – this is a Weekly Call with a Small Group of people sharing PiVAT Weekly and praying for each other.

**Attendees:** Six to eight Daily Call Partners. Limit the participation to no more than ten so the small group dynamic is not lost, and everyone gets the full opportunity to overcome by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony.

**When:** Perfect for a Sunday School hour, Sunday night, or any weekday or weeknight timeslot that allows for one uninterrupted hour. Saturdays and Sundays or Mondays are best – since they closely align with the week's calendar. You can do a PiVAT Small Group for six weeks, a 13 Week Sunday School Quarter, or a one-year journey of intense spiritual growth. Let God lead you. You'll never run out of content – God Speaks.

**Venue:** An in-person small group experience is best – but a video conference (zoom call) also works if the participants are geographically dispersed.

**Uninterrupted:** Please encourage participants to find babysitters, or even hire a couple of teens to provide childcare. The format of this group opens doors for intimacy and the one hour free of the responsibility of children will re-energize parents for their calling.

**PiVAT Small Groups** are not for adults only. Teens and even Junior High kids get the same powerful experience (there is no junior Holy Spirit). We just encourage separate groups for younger followers of Christ who don't share full adult responsibilities yet, so adults won't feel hesitant about what they are able to share.

What Are the PiVAT Small Group Requirements?

- **1.** A Daily Call with someone in the group (not your spouse). The class material comes from what the Holy Spirit reveals to each person this week as they are learning to obey daily in time, thought, and money decisions and sharing their testimony daily with one other person.
- 2. Attend the one-hour weekly meeting with your PiVAT Weekly already filled out.
- **3. Pray daily for other group members.** This is easier than you think as you will grow to really know and love one another in a very short time.

A **PiVAT Small Group** is **not for observers or visitors**, but rather Daily Call Partners who are walking together throughout the week. Most small groups have a teacher who talks most of the time and listeners who only talk occasionally.

In a **PiVAT Small Group** – God speaks through every person's testimony. And **they have one** - because they have been seeking God's plan for them each day, and obeying what He tells them to do. They are reading God's Word every day and are sharing on their Daily Call what God did and revealed.

The **PiVAT Small Group** is each person sharing their Testimony of what God **did** this week (as they are learning to hear and obey His will for them), and what God **revealed** this week (through their PRISM time in His Word). The PiVAT Small Group is not an observation experience, but an immersion experience. Not that a visitor could never come, but if they are not in a Daily Call, growing in the habit of hearing God's voice, following His specific plan for their day, sharing their testimony daily on their Daily Call (What God did, and revealed from His Word yesterday), then the only thing they can offer the group each week, is their opinion.

What makes the PiVAT Small Group so powerful is that people are not to share their opinion, but only what God did last week, and what God revealed to them last week through His Word. The difference becomes glaring. Everyone will see the awesome things God does as we grow daily in **simple obedience**, giving our testimony, praying for one another, and walking together.

The reason this works – is every person is in daily relationship with another person in the group following Hebrews 3:13. Everyone is learning how to hear and obey the voice of God better, with time, thought, and money decisions. They are already experiencing God direct them daily, watching Him speak through His Word, and learning to overcome daily with their testimony. Then, when they come together and share PiVAT Weekly – their testimony of what God did and revealed; the Holy Spirit speaks every time, and every member is challenged and encouraged. (I Cor 14:31) God moves, He's in control, we yield.

What to Expect in a PiVAT Small Group.

- 1) You can expect God to move miraculously! This is unavoidable every time people truly surrender the three most important daily decisions of their life to His full control. (Time, Thoughts, and Money). "It's shocking! I've grown more in ten days than I have in ten years!" PSG Member.
- **2)** This is like nothing you have experienced before. Most small groups have study materials, a book, a course, or a predesigned curriculum. Most Sunday School Classes have a teacher teaching from prepared material.
- 3) The PiVAT Small Group has no study materials except the Bible and no teacher except the Holy Spirit. Each person testifies in turn what God did this week as they walked daily with each other obeying God in the little things. PRAYER: What do you need most from God this week? VISION: What is He telling you to do this week (Top 3 Things) ACCOUNTABILITY: When is He telling you to do it? (The specific day and time) and TESTIMONY: What did God do last week as you are learning to hear and obey daily? And What did God reveal last week during your PRISM time in His Word?
- **4) Each person will share** what they need most from God this week, the #1 Thing, or the top 3 things He's telling them to do, and the specific day and time He has told them to do it. Each person will also share their testimony of what God did last week as they are learning to hear and obey daily and what He revealed last week through His Word, during their PRISM time with Him. These testimonies will be the highlights of the week which they have likely already shared daily with their PiVAT Partner during their Daily Calls.
- **5)** You can expect to see significant spiritual growth and answers to prayer during these six to thirteen weeks. God's provision as you've never before seen and accelerated spiritual growth in a very short time. How can we set this expectation? Well, first, we have experienced it ourselves, but second: it's impossible for God not to move in the lives of people who truly allow Him to take over their time, thought, and money decisions, obeying His command in Hebrews 3:13 to exhort, admonish, and encourage one other daily. Extreme spiritual growth automatically happens under these conditions. Because His ways are higher than our ways (Isaiah 55:7-9) He is faithful, and He is looking to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose hearts are fully devoted to Him II Chronicles 16:9.

God's direct command regarding PiVAT Small Groups:

For you can all prophesy in turn so that every one of you may be instructed and encouraged. - I Corinthians 14:31

This is what happens in PiVAT Small Groups!

**How To Conduct a PIVAT Small Group:** 

#### **PiVAT Small Group Agenda:**

**6:55-7:00** – (5 min) Calculate sharing time and assign a timekeeper. Divide the discussion time (7:05-7:45) between the participants. (40 minutes / 10 people = 4 minutes each.) Remind everyone that we will be sharing for approximately 4 minutes each and praying for the person on your left at the end of the hour. Assign a Timekeeper who will hold up one thumb when the speaker has 1 minute left. As the Holy Spirit moves be flexible, others will know to make up the time.

**7:00-7:05** (5 min) Opening Prayer – Join hands in a circle and pray on your knees. This is a simple outward expression of an inward surrender of the heart to the Lordship of Christ over every area of our life. Ask the Holy Spirit to help each person share His thoughts, not theirs, and at "Amen," the facilitator starts sharing their PIVAT for the week.

**7:05-7:45** (40 min) Share PiVAT Weekly – Prayer, Vision, Accountability for the coming week, and then shareTestimony from last week. Each person shares clockwise in sequence starting with the facilitator. Share only what you have written on your PiVAT Weekly Sheet – so you can be faithful to the timeframe. There is no teacher, so conversation is one to all, not a dialogue back and forth with a teacher. The Facilitator keeps an eye on the time, gently drawing people out, or helping them stay within their time allotment so others can share also. A Timekeeper holds 'one thumb up' at one minute to go – so they can stay within their four minutes. Let the Holy Spirit lead – but generally stay within your four minutes per person – to enable everyone to testify to what God is doing and revealing in their life each week!

**7:45-7:55** (10 min) Pray for one another. Each group member prays for the person on their left. If there are ten group members, it leaves about one-minute for prayer per person which is typical of what most people would pray anyway. By assigning the prayer partner before the group begins (always "the person on your left" — which will hopefully be someone different than their Daily Call Partner), people can pay special attention to what the person after them shares, so they can pray specifically for the things most important in their life this week: what they need most from God and what He is telling them to do. They can also thank God on behalf of their friend for His great faithfulness to them last week, and for the specific things God did in their life as they are learning to obey daily with their Daily Call Partner.

7:55-8:00 – (5 min) Closing Prayer – Join hands in a circle on your knees as an outward expression of the heart.

NOTES: Please be truly humble, and **completely faithful to follow** the PiVAT Small Group Agenda **without deviation** or modification. This simple, very specific format removes the distraction of differing leadership styles and most effectively gives the Holy Spirit full reign during the brief meeting time. Consistency every time without fail — enables each member to know exactly what comes next and gives everyone an equal opportunity to share. Members can focus only on what the Holy Spirit says through each person, as they testify to His goodness. The leader is almost not needed after one or two meetings, only to facilitate, love, encourage and gently be sensitive to Holy Spirit's leading, ensuring the class ends on time, to honor God's next assignment for everyone today. Ask God to provide a Co-Leader, to help you love group members, that can be trained to lead future PiVAT Small Groups.

To lead: Please complete PiVAT Small Group Facilitator Training.

## **PiVAT Small Group - Facilitator Training**

What are the PIVAT Small Group Facilitator Responsibilities? Humility. Faithfulness. Love People.

- 1) Model Faithfulness: Be faithful yourself with PiVAT before dinner each day, your Daily Call, and coming prepared with your PiVAT Weekly already filled out to be able to lead with integrity. Both you and your Daily Call Partner will be full of testimony by the time your PiVAT Small Group meets each week!
- 2) Stick to the PiVAT Small Group Format: We're not "The Leader," that's the Holy Spirit's job. We are just the facilitator. We only facilitate, we don't teach the class. The Holy Spirit does that through the testimony of each person's obedience throughout the week, and sharing what God revealed to them from His Word during their PRISM time with Him each day. The PiVAT Small Group process is a peer-to-peer dynamic, not a teacher-to-student dynamic like most small groups. Your job is not even to facilitate conversation as much as "get the rotation started" and stay out of the way. This replicable time sequence enables the most sharing time possible. In one or two weeks your group members will already "get it" and the process should really run itself, putting all the focus on what God is saying versus the leadership style or personality of the facilitator. The best PiVAT Small Group Facilitators speak little and enable their fellow group members to share.
- **3) Start & End on Time:** Tell people in advance that the group will start and end promptly **to honor God and the next assignment He has for their day**. Then, start exactly at 7:00 with prayer on your knees no matter who's there. People will catch on quickly and next time will be in their seats before 7:00. You can ask someone to pray, but the first couple of weeks demonstrate it yourself. The **opening prayer** should invite the Holy Spirit to lead, asking that **only His heart would be shared, not human opinion**, and that God would give grace to each one to be faithful to encourage each other daily and live a life of complete obedience as they grow in grace, learning to walk daily in God's perfect plan for them.
- **4)** Begin Group Discussion at the "Amen" of the opening prayer. As soon as you say or hear "Amen" the facilitator immediately begins to share their personal PiVAT for the Week, carefully modeling how to be led by the Holy Spirit, and how to stay within their allotted time, so everyone gets the opportunity to share and 'overcome by the word of their testimony.' The other participants will typically be getting up from their knees in the center prayer circle and returning to their seats in a circle. By beginning immediately after the opening prayer 'amen,' no time is wasted on tangent conversations. (If you allow random conversation at the beginning the time will slip away and your group members will be cheated out of the opportunity to share concisely and completely what God prompted them to write on their PiVAT Weekly Sheet.
- **5) Model the Group Discussion.** The Facilitator should **always share first**. This will model for the participants how to share only what they wrote down on their PiVAT Weekly, within the apportioned time frame, leaving time for every person to share what God revealed this week. The Timekeeper will give them one thumb up when they have 60 seconds remaining to enable them to bring their comments to a close. As soon as the Facilitator is finished sharing, they should immediately turn to the person on their left **and ask**, "So John, (or Sally) What Do **You** Need Most from God this week? This begins their 4 Minutes of sharing and proceeds clockwise around the circle.
- **6)** Close on Time. Be faithful with 1 Hour. It will model faithfulness to the others and will allow people to fulfill the remainder of God's To Do's for their day. If you continually go over the scheduled one hour, some people are sharing too much, others don't get their full time, attendance drops, and members miss out on what God had for them.
- **7) Gently Guide the Conversation.** Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit's leading. Some group members may need to be drawn out who have left "time on the table" during their turn to share. Help others who tend to be verbose, to limit their sharing to only what they wrote down on their PiVAT Weekly. This ensures everyone gets their full time to share.

The focus of the group is the Holy Spirit speaking and encouraging everyone as people share. Leave enough time to pray at the end. Don't cut this short. The prayer time for the person on your left is where the Holy Spirit can use people to speak **the very words of God** over others. God is faithful, He does it all the time! All glory will go to God! Members will come away tremendously encouraged to continue in daily obedience to Christ in time, thought, and money decisions and to keep walking daily one with another – where the real growth happens!

- **8)** Love the Group Members outside of the Weekly Meeting. You are obviously loving your own Daily Call Partner each day, by listening, sharing, and praying for one another. But as a PiVAT Small Group Facilitator make the effort each week to contact by phone, email, text, letter, or even a personal visit the other members of your group. You may want to enlist your own Daily Call Partner and Co-Leader to help. Your group members' experience will be heightened greatly when they know that someone besides just their own Daily Call Partner loves them enough to lift them up in prayer and check on their progress. This is a key element of PiVAT Small Group Leadership **loving the people** that God has entrusted to you. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you and show you how. He will.
- **9) Pray For your Group Members.** If you will be faithful to pray for them, they will have the most accelerated season of spiritual growth they have ever experienced in their life. Because this is not man teaching them, it is the Holy Spirit himself, leading them in daily obedience of Christ. If you neglect to pray for them, the group will not be what God intends it to be for them, or you. Be faithfully diligent in this vital area of prayer. God will bless you.
- **10) Call Us Before You Begin.** And let us know when your PiVAT Small Group will be starting! We want to pray for you, lift you up daily in prayer, and encourage you along the way. (kelly@hearwelldone.org 513.260.690eight)

#### **INTRO WEEK** – This is important!

One week prior to the start of your PiVAT Small Group – Meet for a One-Hour INTRO MEETING – or 'pre-meeting' - to show them what to expect for the first week of PiVAT Small Group that starts next week. People will be comfortable knowing what to expect, and be ready to roll, rather than spending week 1 group time, explaining what we're doing.

#### **INTRO WEEK Agenda:**

- #1 Hand them a 3-Day PiVAT Journal which explains PiVAT, PRISM, and a Daily Call.
- #2 Hand them a PiVAT Small Group Packet which explains the PiVAT Small group and includes six PIVAT Weekly's
- **#3 Go through the PiVAT Small Group Packet with them**: What a PiVAT Small Group is, what is required, what the Agenda is, how the facilitator starts, and the person on their left shares. And then at the end everyone goes around the circle again praying for the person on their left before the closing prayer on our knees in a circle.

Once you're done explaining what the group is and how it works. Show them exactly what will happen next week when they walk through the door at fifteen minutes before start time at 7:00 pm. Quickly demonstrate what the Opening Prayer circle looks like, and how we start immediately after the Amen of Opening Prayer and why. Ask if anyone has any questions, and make sure everyone has a Daily Call Partner, a PiVAT Weekly, A PiVAT Journal or Notebook, and is ready to go for next week. Just remind them that PiVAT before dinner is the key. And to have their PiVAT Weekly filled out and ready to share. That's it. This should take about 30 minutes for explanation and questions.

Then just have **snack and fellowship** time the last 30 minutes of the hour, so people can leave that have to, or hang out further if they are able. Remind everyone to be 15 minutes early so Week 1 can start promptly at 7:00 pm, and that's it! You're ready to roll.

#### **PIVAT & PRISM WORKSHOP**

God may lead you to begin a **PiVAT Small Group** with people who are already **Daily Call Partners** – who already know the blessing and benefit of PiVAT, PRISM and a Daily Call. These will quickly understand the format of a PiVAT Small Group. (If you personally have done a 3-Day Challenge with them – it will be even better!) Other times God may lead you to invite six to eight people who have never even done PiVAT or PRISM, or a Daily Call. **Give them the 3-Day PiVAT Journal** and show them how to do it. You could even hold a one-day workshop.

#### **PiVAT & PRISM Workshop Agenda**

8:30-10:00am – Start the morning in prayer. Explain how PiVAT before dinner works, then show them by example, then let them do it. Have them ask God for their PiVAT for today. (10:00-10:15 – Short Break)

10:15-12:00 noon – Explain how PRISM works, then show them by example, then let them do it. It's effective to teach PRISM one section at a time, so they can do it themselves as you explain it. Rather than later – where they can't quite remember what you said for all five parts.

12:00-1:00 - Lunchbreak – provide lunch onsite if possible so people can talk and share, and you can love people individually. Note: If PRISM teaching time goes a little past noon, that's fine. Just be sure to start the brief afternoon session at 1:00 so everyone gets out early – so they can move on to what God told them to do for the rest of their day.

1:00-2:00 – Explain how a Daily Call works, then show them by example, then let them do it. Partner them for a Daily Call with someone in the group (using the PiVAT and PRISM they just did this morning.) Ask Holy Spirit to match them.

2:00-2:30 — Open Mic to give testimony of what God did today through this workshop, what He said and revealed. Let them share their testimony with the group. Close in Prayer. And they are out by 2:30 pm. Perfect for a Saturday.

**PiVAT and PRISM Workshops** are a blessing. God speaks every time, it's obvious, people recognize it. PiVAT & PRISM Workshops inspire people **to hear God's voice and follow His plan** for them daily. They encourage a Daily Call — Hebrews 3:13 — to exhort one other daily - to overcome by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony — Revelation 12:11. Invite them to a PiVAT Small Group — to be greatly encouraged by what God does in the lives of other Daily Call Partners as they walk with the LORD, Hear His Voice, and Follow His Plan for their life each day. Ask the Holy Spirit to bring each person the **Daily Call Partner of His choosing**. So they overcome daily and eventually walk with another.

One Pastor shared that God told him to have a Daily Call with twelve key men in his church this year. A different one each month. That would give him the opportunity to really get to know them, love them, and disciple them. To know the condition of his flock, and sow daily into the key leaders of his church. God revealed something years ago, that I have shared with my children and others: The greatest ministry you will ever have – is allowing someone close enough to see how you obey daily. They don't just hear what you say, they see what you do. They see how you live your life, how you walk in victory through the trials of life, how obedience brings blessing, how you walk in the Spirit, not by your old nature. Daily Calls build lifelong friendships, they grow your circle of Godly counselors. You can even come back months later and start another daily call together – and it will be like you never missed a day, renewing and deepening your friendship.

Iron sharpening iron relationships can only occur if the contact is frequent enough to sharpen. That's why God gave us Hebrews 3:13 – the command to exhort one other daily, while it is called today, so that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. It's God's principle of two by two. It's how you can disciple others – and be discipled yourself. It's how the disciples knew Jesus – they didn't just hear him preach they saw how He lived in obedience to His Heavenly Father – they shared life together. Daily Calls help you fulfill Hebrews 3:13 so you are encouraged, instructed, and inspired by God through the Holy Spirit, in your obedience journey with Him! It's how you get to His plans for your good!

Jeremiah 10:23 – I know, O LORD, that a man's life is not his own; it is not for man to direct his steps.

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P: Prayer: What do you need most from God this week?

(You won't know, Ask Him, and He'll tell you)

 $\pmb{\mathsf{V:Vision:}}$  What is the number one thing He is telling you to do this week? (Top 3)

A: Accountability: When is He telling you to do it? (The specific day, date, and time)

**T: Testimony**: (a) The Top 3 Things God did this week– as you're learning to obey, and (b) The Top 3 Things God Revealed this week – through His Word. (PRISM)

Do PiVAT WEEKLY before the week begins.

### **PiVAT Weekly** – Know God's Plan for you this week.

What is PiVAT Weekly? - A Time Obedience Tool – Four Questions to get God's plan for you this week. PiVAT - is a change of direction from man's way to God's way. Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the plans I have for you - plans to prosper you not to harm you, to give you hope and a future.

PiVAT Weekly is PiVAT from a Weekly Perspective: 4 Principles of Faithfulness applied to this week. PIVAT Weekly helps you obey with time decisions. It lets God plan your week – so you follow His plans. PiVAT is Prayer, Vision,

Accountability, and Testimony. PiVAT Weekly can be done in five to ten minutes – Do PiVAT Weekly on Sunday – to get God's plan for you this week. Isaiah 55:8 – There is a way that seems right to a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death. Isaiah 55:9 – For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. Romans 12:1 – I beg you brothers and sisters to present your body a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God which is your reasonable act of worship. For your life to be a living sacrifice, God takes over your calendar. You live by His plans - to prosper you.

#### **PiVAT Weekly is a 2-Step Process**

#1 Do PiVAT Weekly on Sunday - to get His plan for you this coming week.

#2 Do **PiVAT before dinner** each day - to get His plan for you each day.

**STEP 1: Do PiVAT Weekly on Sunday** before the week begins. Every Sunday afternoon, take ten minutes and Ask God for HIS PLAN for you this coming week (Monday – Sunday). Don't wait until the week begins, by the time you get around to it, you might miss something He had for you.

Doing PiVAT Weekly on Sunday gives you the opportunity before the week starts to pray and share with your spouse — what you both need most from God - and what He is telling you to do this week. Doing this on Sunday also allows God to counsel you in the night season (Psalms 16:7) By morning, God will either confirm His plan in your spirit, or He may clarify your understanding of what He wants you to do this week. Remember, God is not obligated to reveal everything that will occur in the next seven days, but if we ask for His plan, He will tell us specifically, and show us things to come. Psalms 32:8 - "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go — I will guide you with my eye upon you." John 16:3 — But when he the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

**STEP 2: Do PiVAT before dinner** - Get God's plans for you for tomorrow – He will lead you in what steps you must take tomorrow to fulfill what He told you to do this week. **Screen all interruptions** or 'change of plans' this week through Him. Emergencies do arise; other obligations do come up on short notice. **But is this really** what God wants you to divert your attention to? Or is it the devil's distraction to keep you from what God told you to do this week?

Update your **PiVAT Maybe To-Do List!** Each week presents many opportunities to **deviate from** God's original plan and focus on something different. Anything that would change or alter your course this week FIRST goes on your PiVAT Maybe To Do List – for God to confirm, delay, or delete. Every new opportunity – even for good things, is not necessarily God's Plan for you this week. **What is God telling you to say "No" to?** That's a big part of obedience. Be sure you hear and obey. Walk in the Spirit in time decisions. PiVAT, PiVAT Maybe, and PiVAT Weekly will train you to hear His voice, walk in the Spirit and respond to people and situations as He directs.

#### **How To Fill Out PiVAT Weekly?**

**STEP 1 Prayer**: **What do you need most from God this week?** You won't know, ask God, He'll tell you – James 1:5. Before you fill in time slots – first ask God what you need most from Him. This may or may not be related to his V:Vision for you this week. He knows what you will face in the next seven days, He's already been there. He will reveal during **your PiVAT Weekly** as much as He chooses. But He will likely leave some things unmentioned, so you grow in walking daily by His Holy Spirit. Remember, His ways and thoughts are very different from ours (Isaiah 55:7-9). And He knows

what you need before you ask Him. (Matt 6:8) Asking Him what you need most – also prevents you from asking amiss. God's plan for you is to be a **different person before the week is done**. Whether a week of blessing, or of trials (which are still a blessing), God wants you to be more mature, more complete, and more conformed to His image by Friday, than you were on Monday, Saturday, and Sunday too! When asking God what you need most from Him this week. Think in terms of what God gives. The fruit of the Spirit is a great start (Galatians 5:22) but the list of what God gives is extensive. And don't think because things are going 'OK' in your life, that **you don't need anything** from Him. To fulfill the purpose He has for you this week – you will need things beyond yourself. If you only knew what He can give you'd be asking Him for more – and more often! (See the Relationship Topic – What Does God Give?)

Step 2 Vision: What is God telling me to do this week? The Top 3 Things (Hab 2:2) Ask God for His Number 1 priority for you this week (beyond just going to work or going to school). Then ask Him for the #2 and #3 Priority He has for you. These may be family, ministry, career, or personal. It may be "Print out a new PRISM Topic to meditate on, or prepare for next week's final exam, or leave work on time for your daughter's soccer game on Thursday. Maybe spend concentrated time in prayer, cut a neighbor's lawn, or call someone who needs encouragement. Ask God, He'll tell you.

Step 3 Accountability: When is He telling me to do it? (The specific day and time) – I Chronicles 14:14-16. Accountability is always the specific day and time God is telling you to do it. Monday 3 p.m. or Tues and Thurs 7-9 p.m. If God tells you to do something He will also tell you when He wants you to do it. Whatever God has for you to do, He also has a time for you to do it. His order of things, His perfect timing. Just ask Him, and He'll tell you.

**Step 4 Testimony:** What did God DO this week? (Top 3 Things) as I'm learning to obey, and What did God REVEAL this week? Through my PRISM time in His Word. Write the top 5 things God did this week, and the Top 5 things He revealed in your PRISM time with Him. Just go back and pick the highlights from this week – from each day's Daily Call Testimony: and write them in your PiVAT Weekly. You'll be amazed at how God answers prayer and what He accomplishes in and through you within a week's time. The power of your testimony cannot be overstated. It is not just an encouragement to others – it's a way that God has designed for you to overcome the adversary! Revelation 12:11.

Praying you will lead or join a **PiVAT Small Group** – Six to Eight Daily Callers (PiVAT Partners) meeting one hour each week, to share PiVAT Weekly and pray for each other. This is provoking one another to love and good works. This is a venue that demonstrates I Corinthians 14:31 - So each of you can prophesy in turn so that every one of you may be instructed and encouraged. **A PiVAT Small Group** – **helps you do this!** It is life changing. God speaks! In a short time, you can go deep, and build deep friendships based on truth, obedience, and testimony, what God says and reveals.

Step 5 Ask GOD how He wants you to fill in the Time Slots this week. Remember – PiVAT Weekly is God's calendar for you this week, not your own. Ask God what time commitments He wants you to keep. Then fill in the time blocks He tells you. Don't just assume that what you usually do is what He wants you to do this week. Ask Him. Then, block out the times He tells you. DON'T try to fill in every time slot! If God tells you to do something at a certain time, block the time. But He isn't obligated to reveal everything for the coming week right now. He wants to lead you day by day in your PiVAT time with Him before dinner, and also moment by moment throughout the day as you get better at yielding to His will, truly walking in the Spirit. You may want to reference PiVAT Monthly, to verify what monthly assignments from God fall into this week's calendar. You can also reference your PiVAT Maybe To-Do List after the fact, and double-check with Him on anything He might want you to add for this week, but it's best to just let God fill in PiVAT Weekly and the Weekly Calendar as the Holy Spirit prompts you. PiVAT Monthly and PiVAT Weekly are not maybe todo's – they are God's To-Do's for you (just like PiVAT Daily) just from a longer-term perspective. They result from you seeking God for His plan for your week and your month. It's good to review to be sure that whatever He has for you to do this month or this week, that you also know the days and times He wants you to complete them. As God reveals His perfect will and agenda for you this month, He will reveal some through PiVAT Monthly at the beginning of the month; He will reveal a little more of His plan for you during your PiVAT Weekly time before the week begins. He will reveal still more during PiVAT before dinner each night, and finally moment by moment – as you check in with Him throughout the day – He will surely lead you, guide you and instruct you in the moment. This practice of hearing and obeying is an

acquired skill – but it is exactly what followers of Christ do. Jesus was the perfect example. He **only did** what His Heavenly Father told him. Great joy, true fruit, and eternal success await you as you learn to hear and obey, monthly, weekly, and daily.

#### Frequently Asked Questions about PiVAT Weekly?

What if something throws my whole week "Off Schedule?" First, make sure it's really what God wants you to do. Every emergency is not 'your emergency.' If something completely alters your week, God is not surprised. He may have chosen not to reveal it to you last Sunday afternoon during your PiVAT Weekly time - seeking Him for His plan for you. Remember, the goal is not staying on schedule, but walking in the Spirit. If something pressures you to get 'off schedule' from what you feel He revealed on Sunday for your week, just check in with God. He either wants you to change course and accommodate it, or make the tough choice to say, "NO" to other people's expectations of you, or what you'd rather do, and be faithful to what He told you to do this week. This is a "walking with God," "hearing and obeying" process. It takes some time to get used to. But it gives great opportunity for close communication, just want He wants. He loves you! Don't think that God isn't interested in your schedule throughout each day this week. He loves the close communication. Nothing is too insignificant for Him. He delights in giving you His direction. Giving Him your day planner and weekly calendar is demonstrating a heart fully devoted to Him, willing to obey whatever He says. He is searching the earth to and fro looking to show himself strong on behalf of obeyers like you! Il Chronicles 16:9

If I'm doing PiVAT every day – Do I really need PiVAT Weekly? – As much as we grow in learning to hear and obey God's leading through PiVAT before dinner each day, it's amazing the perspective difference, when we seek Him for the week. Asking Him for His plan for our week – allows us to see beyond the day-to-day perceived obligations that tend to blind us to the greater things He wants to bring about in our character and mission. We typically wouldn't think of asking... "If I'm reading God's Word every day – do I still have to go to church every week?" What God reveals in His plans for you weekly is an increased and unique perspective. Not that God can't prompt us each day – to accomplish this week's objectives, we just benefit greatly when we can talk to Him about the forest, not just the trees. I would encourage you to spend time with Him Daily and Weekly to get His plans for you; and also to ask Him before each month and year begins. (PiVAT Monthly, and PiVAT Yearly). You will experience the great blessing of His guidance from different time perspectives. It will help you to "number your days aright," so you may gain a heart of wisdom. (Psalms 90:12)

What if I missed PiVAT Weekly on Sunday? That's OK, just start now. Don't worry about what you missed, even if it's Wednesday. Get His Vision and To Do's for you for the rest of this week. Ask Him for the day and time He wants you to complete them, and just start. Ask Him to help you make up for any lost time. He will! Don't miss out on the blessing of hearing and obeying for the week!

**FINAL THOUGHTS – on PiVAT Weekly –** First PiVAT, now PiVAT Weekly, this is getting kinda crazy! We understand - it may be a little new. But if you ever want to grow in anything in life, you can only grow by experiencing something new. And there is **no better investment** than getting God's plans for you and walking in them! If you're a time management geek - or day-planner junkie, your **greatest challenge** will be **relinquishing control** – checking in with your Master. If you are a 'seat of the pants' kind of person, this will be new. You might think it's overkill, but please do it! **Don't let the devil lie to you!** This is not "works salvation," or putting tasks above relationships. Your time belongs to God! He created you for a purpose; He knows better than you – how to set the course for your day and week. All you need to do is surrender to Him! Try it! Give Him a chance – **His plans are better than yours!** For your good, to prosper you! Be faithful for a season, you can always go back to the control freak or the chaos you came from. Ask God for someone to walk with on a Daily Call (See the **3-Day Challenge** and ask God for a **PIVAT Small Group.**) Grow in obedience together! Overcome by your testimony together! It will change your life!

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