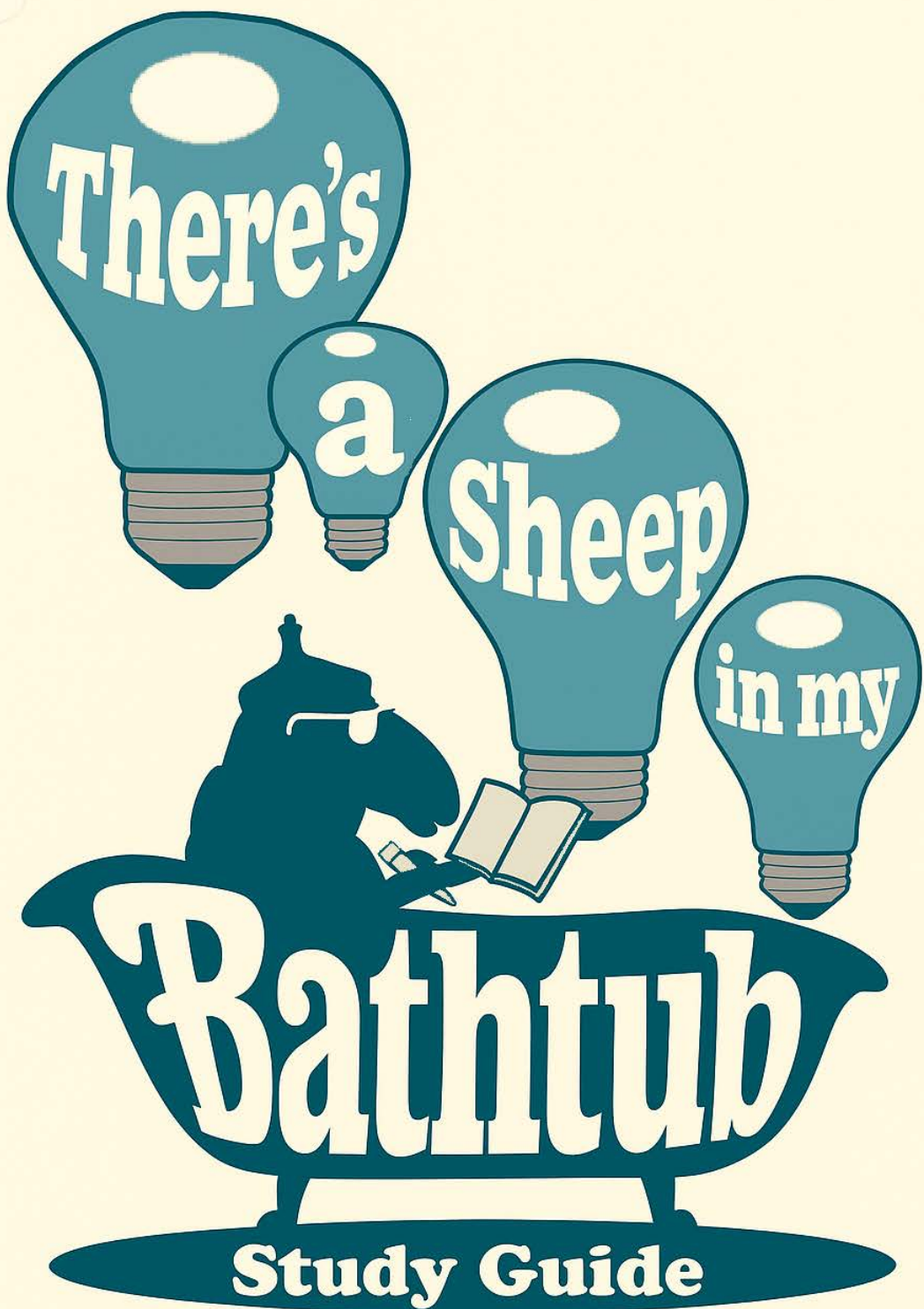




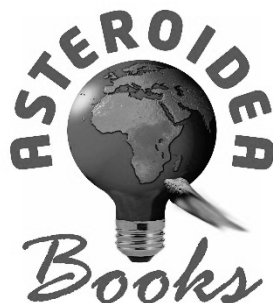
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Using Your Study Guide

For Individual Readers

Reflect on Key Themes

- Each session highlights a central theme. Pause to consider how it relates to your own journey or faith.

Structure Your Reading

- The guide is divided into 12 sessions, each linked to specific chapters in the book.
- Begin each session by reading the assigned chapters.

Explore Key Bible Passages

- Read and meditate on the listed scriptures. Note connections between the passages and the session's theme.

Engage with Discussion Questions

- Use the provided questions to deepen your understanding. Journal your responses, focusing on personal insights and growth.

Take Action

- Each session ends with a practical challenge. Choose one and commit to applying it during the week.
- After each session, jot down what you learned and any steps you took. This helps reinforce growth and accountability.

For Groups & Book Clubs

Plan Your Meetings

- Assign chapters and sessions to read before each meeting.
- Rotate facilitation so different members lead the discussion.

Open with Reflection

- Start by sharing personal takeaways from the reading and theme.

Discuss Together

- Use the session's discussion questions to spark conversation.
- Encourage everyone to share, listen, and build on each other's insights.

Dive into Scripture

- Read the key Bible passages aloud. Discuss how they relate to the story and your group's experiences.

Apply the Action Plan

- As a group, choose one challenge to practice together during the week.
- Share updates at the next meeting about how it went.

Support Each Other

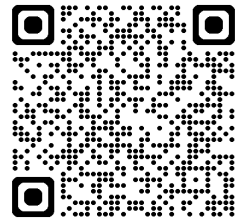
- Pray together for clarity, courage, and growth.
- Offer encouragement and practical help as group members pursue their action steps.

Use the Maps & Extras

- Refer to the included maps for context.
 - Explore bonus materials (like QR codes) for deeper engagement.
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Tips for Both

- **Be Honest:** The guide encourages vulnerability and real-life application.
- **Stay Flexible:** Adapt the pace and questions to fit your needs.
- **Celebrate Growth:** Mark milestones and encourage one another as you progress.
- **They tell us a picture is worth a thousand words.** We want to give you a gift — a free ticket to the Mongolia Video archive. The films within will really deepen your understanding of the story you are reading.



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- **Ready to begin? Start with Session 1 and let the journey unfold—whether you’re reading alone or with friends!**

Session 1: Iron Gate and Open Doors

The Call, the Cost, and First Steps

Theme:

This session covers the Hogan family's initial call to missions, the obstacles they face (literal and spiritual "iron gates"), and the leap of faith that launches their journey. It's about hearing God's call, wrestling with uncertainty, and stepping into the unknown.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 1-3

Key Quote:

God had been true to His word to us. The 'door of steel' (the iron embassy gates) we'd encountered proved to be only 'tin foil' as we burst through.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ Genesis 12:1–4
- ☐ Isaiah 6:8
- ☐ Proverbs 16:9
- ☐ Isaiah 30:21
- ☐ Luke 11:7–9
- ☐ Revelation 3:7–8

☐ Romans 8:28

☐ Matthew 28:18-20

Key Truths:

- ❖ God's call often leads us into the unknown, but He opens doors no one can shut.
- ❖ Obedience means releasing our self-authored small stories and embracing the epic adventure the Creator wrote for us.
- ❖ Faith grows as we say "Yes" and step out, even when the way is unclear.
- ❖ God's guidance is personal, persistent, and always timely.

Discussion Questions:

1. What was Brian's attitude while trying to get into the Mongolian Embassy? List several things done with the Lord's confidence.
2. What events did the Holy Spirit use to stir Louise and Brian's hearts towards mission?
3. Chapter 2: What were the biggest obstacles Brian and Louise faced as a newly married couple called to missions?

4. Chapter 3: How did God direct the Hogans to the Mongolian people?
How long did it take for their vision to become reality?
5. While working among the Navajo, what important lesson did Brian and Louise learn about how to impact others for Christ?
6. How do you see spiritual opposition at work in your journey?
7. Have you ever had to take a leap of faith without knowing all the details?
What happened?
8. What is one lesson you can take from Brian and Louise's experiences?
9. What 'Iron Gates' are between you and your calling?

Action plan:

- Challenge. Choose one:
 - Journal about your personal calling and the obstacles you are facing. Pray daily for God to clarify His calling in your life and to increase your faith to trust the calling God has shown you.
 - Identify one area where God may be calling you to step out in faith. Take a concrete step this week—however small—toward saying “yes” to Him.
- Read chapters 4-6 and answer the questions for Session 2 of this study guide.

Session 2: Wilderness Foundations

Learning, Letting Go, and Leaping Forward

Theme:

These chapters focus on the formative years—learning through hardship, building relationships, and discovering God’s strategy for mission. The family’s experiences among the Navajo and their training in “Perspectives” set the foundation for their later work in Mongolia.

Reading:

There’s a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 4-6

Key Quote:

Suddenly, the call we had been struggling to bring into focus, our calling to missions, was crystal clear. We had been created to plant churches where the name of Jesus was not even known. Like Paul put it, we were not to build on someone else’s foundation (as we’d been doing in Hardrock), but where Christ had never been preached.

Key Bible Passages: the Commands of Jesus:

Love God and Others

- ☐ Matthew 22:37–39
- ☐ John 13:34

Repent, Believe, and Receive the Holy Spirit

- ☐ Mark 1:15
- ☐ John 20:21–22

Baptize

- ☐ Matthew 28:19
- ☐ Acts 2:38

Break Bread / Communion

- ☐ Luke 22:19–20
- ☐ 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Talk to God

- ☐ Matthew 6:9–13
- ☐ Luke 18:1

Give Generously

- ☐ Matthew 6:2–4
- ☐ Luke 6:38

Heal the Sick, Raise the Dead, Cast out Demons*

- ☐ Matthew 10:8
- ☐ Mark 16:17-18

Make disciples

- ☐ Matthew 28:19–20

*** Why is there an eighth command in this guide?**

The original list of seven commands (Sheep, pg. 31) came from our mentor George Patterson. At the time, we taught only those seven. However, the command to heal the sick, raise the dead, and cast out demons was modeled in our movement and *is* a clear command of Jesus. Years later, another Patterson disciple, who launched a movement in Burma, opened Brian's eyes to this command's importance in ours and all Disciple Making Movements. We knew it belonged in this list. We believe George understood this, but left it unsaid due to denominational constraints. Since we aren't laboring under those limitations, we have restored it to its rightful place among Jesus' commands.

Key Truths:

- ❖ The foundation of a fruitful mission is simple, loving obedience to Jesus' commands.
- ❖ God shapes us through hardship, humility, and community.
- ❖ True preparation for service means relinquishing comfort and control.
- ❖ Spiritual vision is clarified through both study and surrender.

Discussion Questions:

1. How did the Perspectives Course reshape the Hogan' vision for missions?
2. List the eight simple commands every disciple of Christ should immediately obey? How might you apply this to your discipling relationships?
3. What challenge did Wes Tullis give Brian? How did he and Louise respond?
4. Despite the frustrating delay, how did the Hogan's years of preparation for the mission field prove necessary?
5. Describe the miracles God used to get Brian and Louise to Mongolia, their first lodging, and their first dinner in Ulaanbaatar?

6. What does it mean to build where Christ has not been named? How did Mongolia fit this description?
7. How has this session changed your perspective on missions where you live and abroad?
8. How might God be calling you to be a part of His mission?

Action plan:

- Challenge: Circle one of Jesus' basic commands in Discussion Question 2. Intentionally practice it every day this week. Record observations about what this teaches you.
- Bonus: Memorize Jesus' 8 Commands.
- Read chapters 7-9 and answer the questions for Session 3 of this study guide.

Session 3: Crossing Cultures

Immersion, Adaptation, and Absurdities of Missionary Life

Theme:

As the Hogans immerse themselves in Mongolian life, they encounter the joys and absurdities of cross-cultural adaptation, learning to laugh, persevere, and build bridges in a world very different from their own.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 7-9

Key Quote: ☐

Cultural adaptation teaches humility better than anything I have ever experienced. It sure is hard to be 'puffed up' when four-year-old urchins can speak and behave much better than you can—college degree notwithstanding.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ 1 Corinthians 9:22–23
- ☐ Philippians 4:12–13

Key Truths:

- ❖ Cross-cultural life is both humbling and hilarious. Adaptability is essential.
- ❖ Flexible is too rigid. Be fluid.
- ❖ As much as possible, be like the people you are among.
- ❖ God uses our weaknesses and mistakes to build bridges with others.
- ❖ Real connection happens when we embrace the unfamiliar with open hands.
- ❖ Perseverance in the face of confusion leads to unexpected breakthroughs.

Discussion Questions:

1. What value did Brian and Louise see in living in a building with Mongolians instead of living in a building only with other missionaries?
2. The Hogans were sent to share the Good News in Mongolia's capital, which previously had no access to the gospel. Ulaanbaatar was known for murder and theft. How did they react when danger came their way? What happened as a result?

3. Chapter 8: Food preparation was exponentially more difficult in Mongolia than in the United States. How and where did they process meat that came in whole-animal packaging?
4. How did Maria and Magnus implement the simple commands of Jesus in Erdenet? (Review Session 2, Question 2)
5. Page 62: What made Bayaraa so pivotal in their ministry?
6. Page 63-64: Describe Magnus' approach with new believers in leadership? What was his reasoning?
7. How can we apply the principles of cultural immersion and perseverance in our own ministry?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: Reach out to someone from a different background or culture. Listen to their story and look for ways to build a genuine connection.
- Read chapters 10-11 and answer the questions for Session 4 of this study guide.

Session 4: Learning Language *Laughter, and the Limits of Understanding*

Theme:

Language learning becomes both a source of humility and humor, revealing the deep connections—and frequent miscommunications—that come with living and loving in a new culture.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 10-11

Key Quote:

"You can't demand righteousness of a people who have no access to it."

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ James 3:2
- ☐ Proverbs 17:22
- ☐ 1 Peter 4:8

Key Truths:

- ❖ Language learning is an act of love and humility.
- ❖ Language learning *is* ministry.

- ❖ Laughter and mistakes are part of God's classroom.
- ❖ True understanding grows through presence, not just words.
- ❖ Love covers a multitude of cultural 'sins'.

Discussion Questions:

1. In what ways did Brian and his family have to adapt to the culture while on "vacation" at Lake Huvsgul?
2. How did God provide for them despite their struggles?
3. Describe "Language Acquisition Made Practical" or LAMP, developed by linguists Tom and Betty Sue Brewster. Which basic mission principle was their daily goal?
4. How did Mongolian culture view a free economy? How did this affect their attitudes about private property and profits? What adaptations did Brian need to make?
5. What is one way Brian made a connection with the Mongolians at the open market?

6. In your present context with nonbelievers, what activity could you do with them to better understand their take on the local economy, their domestic lives, or their sense of humor?
7. How can you apply these principles of adaptation to your present ministry?
8. Despite any difficulties, how can you more fully embrace God's present calling on your life?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: Embrace humility by publicly learning something new that stretches you. Allow yourself to make mistakes and find the humor in the process.
- Read chapters 12-14 and answer the questions for Session 5 of this study guide.

Session 5: Breakthroughs and Barriers

Moving, Miracles, and the Power of Words

Theme:

The family experiences both miraculous breakthroughs and unexpected barriers as they move to Erdenet. They experience God's power in opening doors, changing hearts, and using simple obedience to spark transformation.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 12-14

Key Quote:

I started calling the intense outpouring we were experiencing 'vival' — revival for the first time.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ Acts 16:6-10
- ☐ Romans 15:18-20 (pg. 114-115)
- ☐ Acts 19:12 (pg. 117 referenced)

Spiritual Battle

☐ 2 Corinthians 10:3-4

☐ James 4:7

Spiritual Outpouring “VIVAL”

☐ Acts 2:17-19

☐ Habakkuk 3:2

Key Truths:

- ❖ Spiritual breakthrough often follows persistent prayer and simple obedience.
- ❖ God’s power is revealed in both miracles and everyday faithfulness.
- ❖ Spiritual battle is real, but God equips us to overcome.

Discussion Questions:

1. What major challenges did Brian and his family face while moving to Erdenet?

2. How did Brian deal with being swindled by the power company employee? This may not seem spiritual, but what lesson was learned?

3. How did they maintain peace during this power outage experience?
4. Chapter 14: How did the age of the members of the church pose a problem?
5. What problem became evident with the Mongolian New Testament translation?
6. Describe the 'Miracle April' outpouring (vival).
7. What specifically happened to the Russians that made them smile?
8. Page 116: What event initiated a church start in District Two?
9. What have you learned about revival that could be applied to your community?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: Set aside focused prayer time. Ask God to show you where He wants to bring a Kingdom breakthrough in your life or community. Pray boldly and expectantly.
- Read chapters 15-17 and answer the questions Session 6 of this study guide.

Session 6: Outpouring and Opposition

Revival, Resistance, and Spiritual Warfare

Theme:

A season of spiritual outpouring brings revival and rapid growth, but also fierce opposition and spiritual warfare—testing the faith, unity, and resilience of the team and the new believers.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 15-17

Key Quote:

I came to Mongolia to bring Good News, not to destroy culture. I tell Mongolians about a God who loved them so much he allowed himself to be trampled underfoot for them so they would never have to experience hell or its evil god.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ Habakkuk 1:5
- ☐ Ephesians 6:10-12
- ☐ Acts 4:29-31
- ☐ 1 John 4:4

Key Truths:

- ❖ The Holy Spirit's outpouring transforms ordinary people into bold witnesses.
- ❖ Spiritual opposition intensifies as God's kingdom advances.
- ❖ Unity and prayer are essential weapons in spiritual warfare.
- ❖ God's presence brings both power and protection in the midst of conflict.
- ❖ Discipleship takes place face-to-face and life-on-life, not while passively sitting in an auditorium.

Discussion Questions:

1. Describe the continuing outpouring in Erdenet during Spring 1994.

2. Page 121-122: Where did they baptize new believers in the Erdenet house groups? What sometimes thwarted a baptized person from continuing to be faithful?

3. Chapter 16: In what ways was Jesus Assembly's summer camp a challenge and how was it a blessing?

4. Page 128-130: What problem developed with meeting as a large group on Sundays and small groups during the week?
5. Page 130-131: What was the solution to this problem? After several years of experimenting, what was the result? Do you see any similarities in your Christian community? How might your body make a meaningful change?
6. Chapter 17: Describe how Buddhism in the West is a 'wolf in sheep's clothing' compared to Tibetan Buddhism in Mongolia?
7. Page 135: How does Brian describe the Tibetan god of Hell to show that this is not a beautiful, benign religion?
8. Page 136-138: When an entire family turned to Christ, how did they part from their Buddhist traditions?

9. Did you have to give up anything when you became a believer? How could you incorporate this into your testimony?
10. How might you stand against the evil around you and for the power and love of Jesus?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you afresh and empower you for witness. Step out in faith to pray for someone's need or share your faith this week.
- Read chapters 18-20 and answer the questions for Session 7 of this study guide.

Session 7: Spontaneous Multiplication

Reproducing Disciples amid Mounting Opposition

Theme:

Evangelism flourishes as new believers multiply, but the team is confronted by the realities of spiritual battle, cultural resistance, and the cost of following Jesus in a land just awakening to faith.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 18-20

Key Quote:

We had never really had to do much evangelism ourselves—at least among Mongolians.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ Matthew 5:14-16
- ☐ John 16:33

Key Truths:

- ❖ The gospel spreads fastest through ordinary believers sharing their faith along existing webs of relationship.
- ❖ Multiplication happens when disciples make disciples that make disciples.

- ❖ Spiritual warfare is relentless, but God's victory is sure.
- ❖ New life in Christ disrupts old patterns and brings lasting change.

Discussion Questions:

1. Why did the church planting team not have to do cross-cultural evangelism but focus on discipleship instead?
2. Why are local indigenous believers better at sharing the gospel with their peers than foreign church planters?
3. What adjustments did Louise have to make in giving birth in Mongolia instead of in the United States?
4. Page 149-151: How did the apostolic team handle competition from four new sects that moved into Erdenet?
5. How did they deal with a leader caught in sexual sin?

6. How is this openness to one's sin in community challenging to your own church experience?
7. How did a possible church split develop? How was this resolved?
8. What continuing struggles made it uncertain that the church would survive?
9. Even with all that was going wrong in their church plant, they did not give up. How will this help you tackle a challenge?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: Share your faith story with someone who doesn't know Jesus. Trust God to use your words, however simple, to plant a seed.
- Read chapters 21-23 and answer the questions for Session 8 of this study guide.

Session 8: Grief and Grace

Loss, Lament, and Hope That Endures

Theme:

The Hogans face devastating personal loss, walking through the valley of grief with honesty and vulnerability—discovering that God’s grace and the hope of resurrection can sustain even in the darkest moments.

Reading:

There’s a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 21-23

Key Quote:

“History has shown that through the ages, whenever the Kingdom advanced, someone first had to pay a terrible price.” Phil Butler

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ Romans 8:28 (pg. 160 referenced)
- ☐ John 6:40 (pg. 175)
- ☐ Genesis 22:1-19
- ☐ Psalm 34:18
- ☐ 2 Corinthians 1:3–4

Key Truths:

- ❖ Grief and hope coexist in the life of a believer.
- ❖ God's comfort is most real in our deepest pain.
- ❖ Community carries us when we cannot stand alone.
- ❖ Loss can become a seed for greater fruitfulness.

Discussion Questions:

1. What emotions did the Hogan family experience in the death of Jedidiah? How did God speak to them?

2. How did God use different people (for example, Maria, Magnus, the Mongolian Elders and the Mongolian brothers and sisters) to care for the Hogans during this difficult time?

3. In what areas were the Hogans' unable to give up their own culture's ways? Why?

4. How did God grant them peace?

5. How do you personally relate to the pain and loss described in this session?
6. What is one practical lesson you have learned from the Hogans' experience?
7. How might you support someone who is grieving?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: If you are grieving or struggling, invite Jesus and trusted friends into your pain. If not, reach out to someone who's hurting and offer practical support.
- Read chapters 24-26 and answer the questions for Session 9 of this study guide.

Session 9: Restoration and Resilience

Healing, Growth, and the Challenge of Releasing

Theme:

As the family and church begin to heal, they learn resilience through community, the importance of restoration, and the challenge of preparing to release leadership to the Mongolians.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 24-26

Key Quote:

In a few days I had almost managed to get us drummed out of the mission. God had intervened at the last moment by giving Louise a revelation about what was really going on – a 'spirit of opposition' had been dogging our steps for years and was manifesting itself again.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ 1 Corinthians 15:55-57 (pg. 184)
- ☐ Psalm 30:5
- ☐ Galatians 6:2

Key Truths:

- ❖ Healing and restoration are processes, not events.
- ❖ God uses seasons of weakness to build resilience and dependence.
- ❖ Letting go is necessary for new growth and leadership to emerge.
- ❖ The church is strongest when every member carries the load.

Discussion Questions:

1. Page 180: After all the serious spiritual attacks that they had endured, what did they do and what was the result?
2. How did this “thunderous crack” signal the beginning of the healing?
3. What was the “spirit of opposition” that God revealed to Louise?
4. Examine your heart, as to whether there is a situation or opposition in your life that you need to pray thoroughly through.

5. What was God's response after they decided to go on vacation?
6. Chapter 26: How did Brian's flexibility land him a new job and a much-needed visa?
7. Why did the team start a discipleship training school? What resulted?
8. Why did they continue to start class in bitter pre-dawn cold?
9. Page 197: In what ways did the Mongolians step up to take leadership responsibility?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: Identify an area in your life or relationships that needs healing and restoration. Take the first step toward reconciliation and/or renewal.
- Consider: Is there a way to call those you disciple into a stronger commitment?
- Read chapters 27-29 and answer the questions for Session 10 of this study guide.

Session 10: Passing the Baton

Maturity, Multiplication, and Indigenous Leadership

Theme:

The movement matures as Mongolian leaders rise up, the church multiplies, and the foreign team prepares to pass the baton—celebrating the emergence of a truly indigenous, self-sustaining church.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 27-29

Key Quote:

All the mistakes that can be made have already been made in the last two centuries, and I was glad to use my knowledge of mission history to help prevent the same mistakes from being repeated on the Mongolians.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ John 12:24
- ☐ 2 Timothy 2:2

Key Truths:

- ❖ True success is measured by multiplication, not maintenance.
- ❖ Indigenous leadership is the goal of every mission movement.

- ❖ Passing the baton requires trust in God's ongoing work.
- ❖ The church belongs to Jesus, not to its founders.

Discussion Questions:

1. For Louise, God turned her mourning into dancing. Is there someone or something you are mourning? Ask the Lord to turn it into joy in the face of the enemy.

2. How can rest (and fun) provide benefits in ways you hadn't considered previously?

3. How did God affect reconciliation between our hero's apostolic Swedish-Russian-American team and the "American Ladies"?

4. How did God raise Mongolian disciples to lead the big festival instead of the planned American and German evangelists?

5. How important was it the Mongolian church ran the event without any foreign support or participation?

6. Why did the Chief of Police declare that Jesus' Assembly could do anything it desired in Erdenet moving forward?
7. Chapter 29: How is paying for the tuition of national students to go to Discipleship School basically paying for them to follow Jesus?
8. What do you learn from the Hogans' dire situation with their apartment and how God intervened?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: Choose one.
 - Schedule a specific time for rest and reflection. As you rest, notice the ways it recharges you. During this rest, take time envisioning your ministry.
 - Invest in someone younger in faith by encouraging, mentoring, or praying for them. Help them take a step forward in their walk with God.
- Read chapters 30-32 and answer the questions for Session 11 of this study guide.

Session 11: Finishing Well

Transition, Trust, and Working Yourself Out of a Job

Theme:

With the church ready to stand on its own, the team navigates the bittersweet process of transition—learning to trust God with the future and embrace the joy (and pain) of letting go.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 30-32

Key Quote:

Without any of us realizing, we had worked ourselves into obsolescence. The Mongolian believers were doing everything; we were doing nothing.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ John 3:30
- ☐ Acts 20:18–37 (pg.239-240)
- ☐ John 16:7
- ☐ Philippians 1:6

Key Truths:

- ❖ Finishing well means empowering others to lead.
- ❖ Trusting God with the future brings freedom and joy.
- ❖ Transition is both painful and necessary for growth.
- ❖ Evaluation and celebration mark the journey's end.

Discussion Questions:

1. What were the only tasks left for the foreign missionaries to do?
2. Page 228: On Jesus' Assembly's third birthday, how many Mongolians filled the theater? And what walks of life did they represent?
3. How did the Lord provide for Louise in her grief?
4. Page 232: What people were included in the small "home churches" and what activities went on in them? How did these home churches multiply?

5. What people were included in the large “Celebration Meetings” and what activities went on in them?
6. How are these meetings different from those in your church?
7. Read Luke 5:33-39. Jesus is teaching about religious structures. What do you think his advice would be to those tempted to introduce big changes to their church’s wineskin, based the experiences of the Erdenet congregation and the answer to Discussion Question 6?
8. If God is using this book study to pour ‘new wine’ for you, what should you do in response? What should you avoid doing?
9. What ideas for these meetings did the Mongolians come up with themselves?

10. What is the difference between an event-oriented culture and a time-oriented culture? Why was it so impactful to plan an event according to the local cultural mindset?
11. Chapter 32: What practice in the foreigners' team meetings helped ensure the Mongolians' readiness to take over? What finally happened in early Spring 1996?
12. What objections did other missionaries have to letting indigenous leaders take over in Jesus' Assembly and throughout our movement? What was the apostolic team's response to the naysayers?

Action Plan:

- Challenge: Reflect on what it means to "finish well" in your current endeavors. Ask God to show you how to empower others and let go with grace.
- Read chapters 33-34, Epilogue, Afterword, and Appendix. Answer the questions for Session 12 of this study guide.

Session 12: Enduring Legacy

Seeds and the Journey Ahead

Theme:

Looking back, the Hogans reflect on legacy, the ongoing impact of their sacrifice, and the lessons learned — celebrating how God uses ordinary people to plant seeds that bear fruit for generations.

Reading:

There's a Sheep in My Bathtub, Chapters 33-34, Epilogue, Afterword, and Appendix.

Key Quotes:

For the first time in history, a fully indigenous Mongolian church was fully in Mongolian hands — and they were firmly in the nail-scarred hands of Jesus.

Simplicity and trust in God's Spirit opened the doors of Mongolia to the Kingdom of God.

Key Bible Passages:

- ☐ John 4:36 (pg. 257)
- ☐ 1 Corinthians 3:6–9
- ☐ Hebrews 12:1–2
- ☐ 1 Thessalonians 4:13–14 (Epilogue)

On Simple and Uncomplicated:

- ☐ 2 Corinthians 11:3
- ☐ Mark 10:14–15

Trusting the Holy Spirit

- ☐ John 14:26

Key Truths:

- ❖ Legacy is built through faithful obedience, not visible results.
- ❖ God multiplies what we surrender, far beyond our imagination.
- ❖ Every sacrifice sown in faith bears eternal fruit.
- ❖ The story continues—God’s mission never ends.
- ❖ Keep it simple and trust the Holy Spirit in the life of your disciple.

Discussion Questions:

1. Why was it important for the missionaries to pass a baton to the indigenous leaders on stage in front of the whole church?

2. What ministry did Brian and Louise become involved in after coming home from Mongolia? What ministry did they embark on over a decade later?

3. How did Naraa and Baagii follow in Brian's footsteps?

Do you have someone in your life who discipled you? How can you follow in his/her footsteps?

BONUS: Read *An Outlaw's Capture: Naraa's Story* (QR Code) and pass it on or discuss it in your small group or book club.



[Link to Story](#)

4. Take time to pray for God to send someone your way to disciple. When He brings you someone, write their name below and pray for them daily.

5. Epilogue: What did Baika mean when he said, "You were the first people we had ever seen, or ever heard about, who grieved with hope."

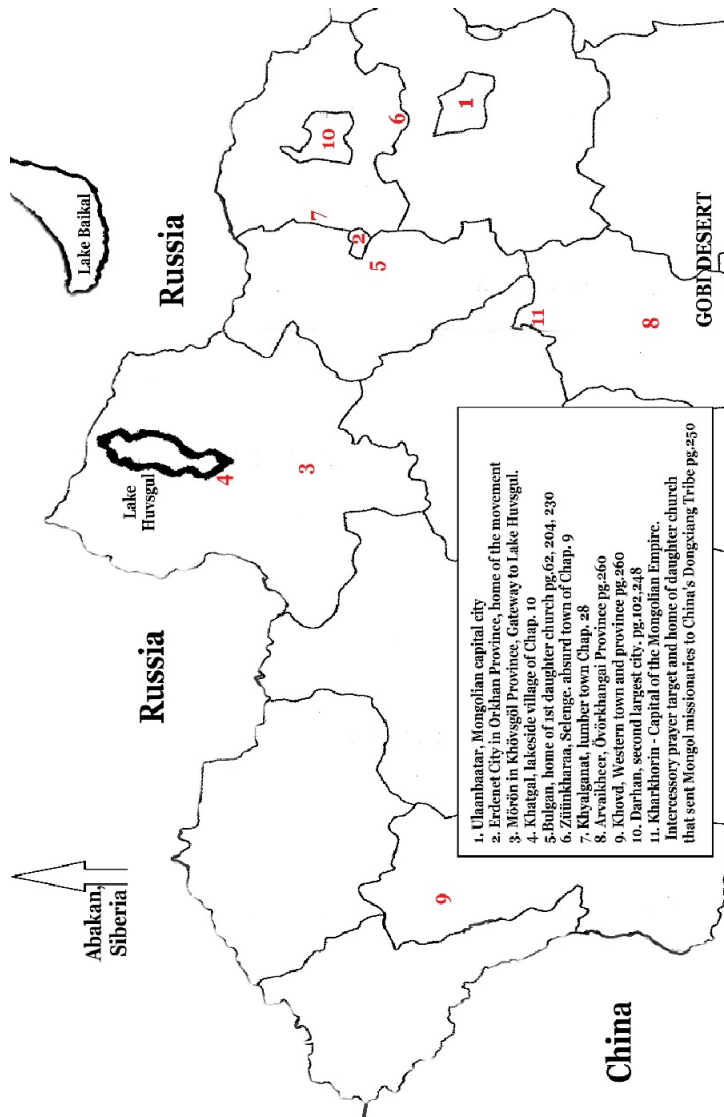
6. Brian said, "At the very point where we felt weakest and doubted God's plan the most, the Father was doing His biggest miracle through us!" When have you felt weak? What would it take for you to trust that in giving it to God, you could see Him do a miracle?

7. Appendix: What are the two main obstacles to church planting movements (now called: Disciple Making Movements) worldwide?
8. Refer to Session 2's "Key Bible Passages: the Commands of Jesus": How can you implement these simple commands in your disciple-making or church leadership training?
9. How can we place greater trust in the Holy Spirit to work his purposes in those we disciple or leaders we train?

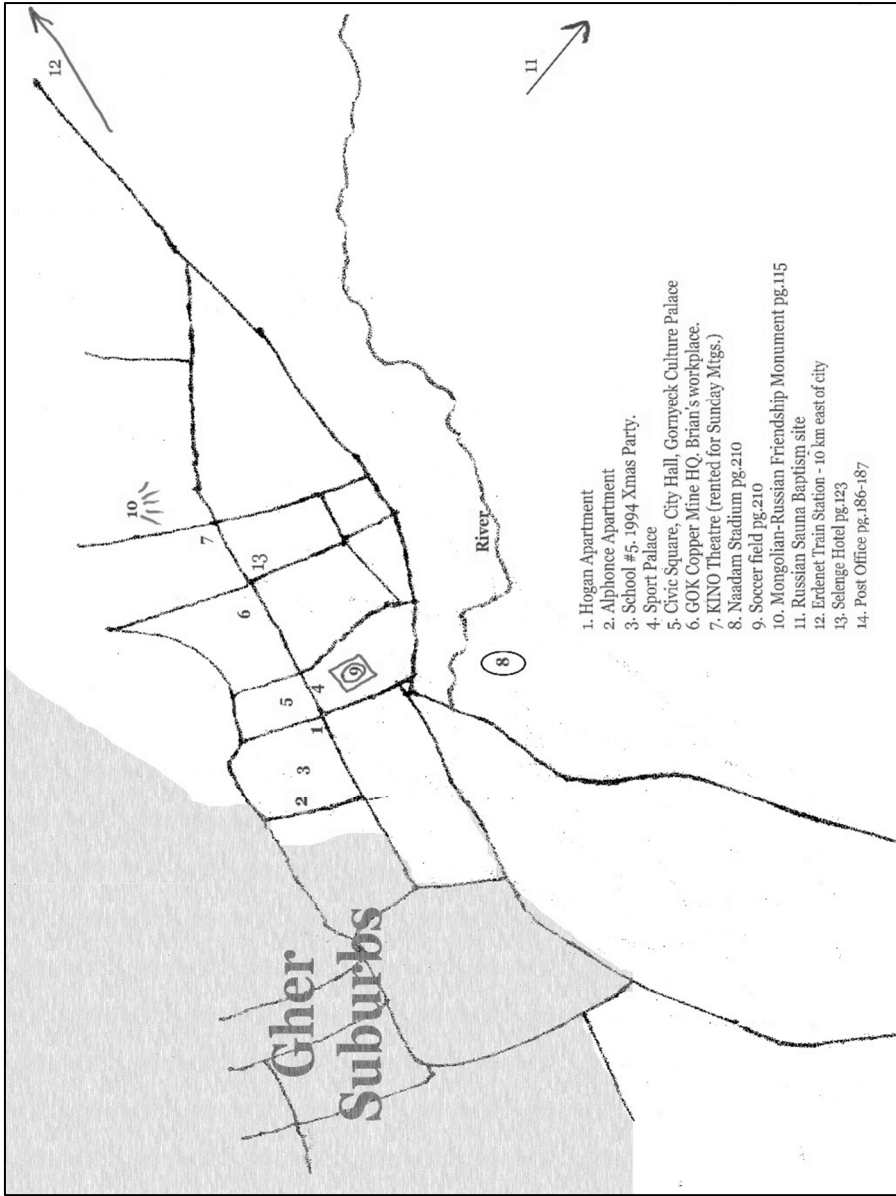
Action Plan:

- Challenge: Commit to praying daily for someone to disciple or train in leadership. When the person is made known to you, ask them if they would like to be disciplined or trained. Make a discipling or training plan. Pray for God to bless it.
- Ask God to give you a vision for the next step in your lasting legacy. Write down anything you receive here:

Sheep in my Bathtub Mongolia Location Maps

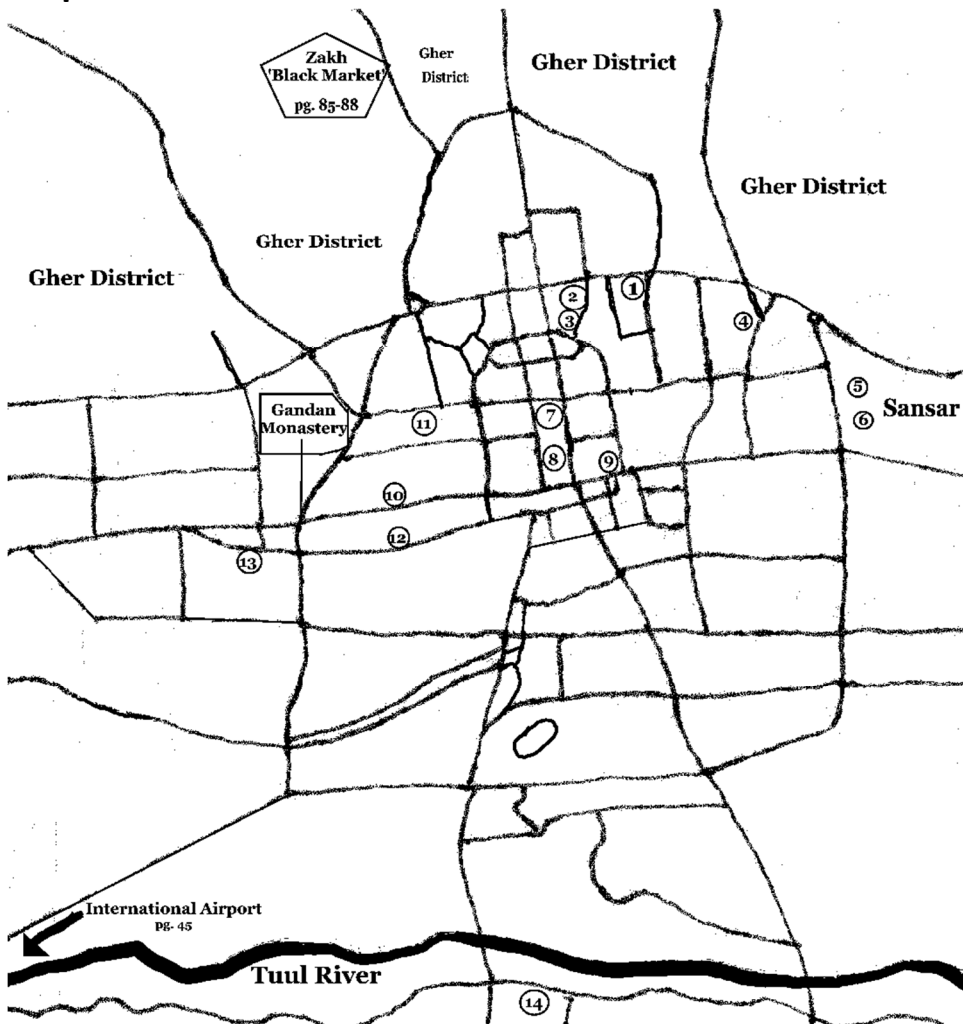


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Map of Ulaanbaatar Locations



1. U.S. Embassy 2. Hogan Apartments pg.55-56. 3. Broken Bones & Stab Wounds Hospital pg.55
4. Russian Cultural Center pg.101. 5. Missionary Ghetto Apts. pg.53 6. Zuul Hotel pg.53
7. Ikh Hural (Parliament) 8. Sukhbaatar Square & Monument 9. UB Hotel & Lenin statue pg.51
10. Ikh Delguur (State Dept. Store). 11. Square with Builders' Hotel pg.53 & MONAR Co. pg.55
12. State Circus pg.48 13. Ulaanbaatar Central Train Station pg.101-102
14. Zaisun Monument pg.250

Labeled on Map:

[SW] International Airport pg.45, [CtrW] Gandan Monastery pg.144, [NE] Zakh 'Black Market' pg.85-88

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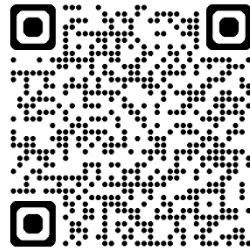
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