



THE STORY

"Finding Your Story in His Story"

Chapter 4: DELIVERANCE

NOTES FROM THE MESSAGE

KEYS POINTS FROM THIS WEEK'S STORY THAT STAND OUT TO ME:

STEP ONE: Tell the Story... Recap what you heard or read this week.

First: Encourage someone who thinks they can recite the main points of the story to do it out loud for the group! This helps you recall the Story

Second: Then take turns, one person at a time, a sentence or two at a time, telling the story again out loud. YES, again! Revisiting God's Story a couple of times allows the Holy Spirit to write it on our hearts, not just in our heads. If someone skips something, feel free to help them, but remember that getting every detail right is not the main goal of storytelling.



STEP TWO: Talk about what you saw in the Story

- 1) **WHAT DOES GOD DO?** God's actions reveal WHO He is, as He interacts with our world. God has a present walking and talking relationship with Moses, and interacts so much throughout this story. Look for and identify many of the things that you can clearly see GOD DO or orchestrate? *Example: Of all the women that could have been chosen to be nanny to baby Moses, God arranges it to be his own biological mother that gets to nurture him.*
- 2) **WHO IS GOD?** As you just identified what God has done, now share the insights that begin to reveal GOD'S IDENTITY... WHO IS HE? *Example: God is good because he allowed Moses' mom to still be in his life from birth*
- 3) **WHO AM I?** Where do you see yourself in this story? What character do you identify with & why? *Example: Moses... because I often feel insecure about my own abilities or strengths like he did*
- 4) **WHERE IS THE GOSPEL?** There is a thread all throughout the Bible pointing to our need for a Savior, and God's plan to send us Him. Where do you see that thread here, so when you "tug" on it, you see Jesus? Where is the "Good News" in this story? *Example: God is faithful to hear our cries and be our Deliverer through Jesus*
- 5) **SOMETHING NEW?** Did you learn something new through engaging with this story or hearing the message Sunday? Something you had not seen before?
- 6) **WHAT DO I NEED TO DO NOW?** Growth as a disciple hinges on obedience, and there are two types of obedience to God: (1) obeying in action where we DO what God asks of us... (2) obeying in faith where we begin to BELIEVE what God's Word says to us about Him or about us. Where might you feel led to say... "God is telling me to obey Him and start _____ ..."

STEP THREE: Close in Prayer

Share any final insights and then pray together in THREE specific ways.

- A) Thank God for His Story and the insights His Holy Spirit led you to, in your time together.
- B) Pray over each other's "next step" obedience observations: Either **(a)** for faith to consistently BELIEVE something about who God is, **(b)** what He can do, **(c)** about who you truly are or **(d)** the courage to do what the Holy Spirit is calling you to do,
- C) Identify by name, at least one person far from God, that doesn't know Him, and pray that they have the opportunity to hear His Story for them!

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