

EIGHT STORIES OF HOPE

The Bible addresses real life issues

1. **The Sinful Woman** – Luke 7:36-50
2. **The Greedy Man** – Luke 12:13-31
3. **Two Lost Sons** – Luke 15:11-32
4. **The Self-Righteous Religious Leader** – Luke 18:9-17
5. **A Rich Man** – Mark 10:17-31
6. **A Prospective Follower** – Matthew 16:21-27
7. **The Ambitious Mother** – Matthew 20:20-28
8. **Doubting Thomas** – John 20:19-31

WHAT IS THE BIBLE ABOUT?

Discovering the greatest stories ever told

1. **The Creation of the World** – Genesis 1:1-26
2. **The Creation of Man** – Genesis 2:4-25
3. **The Beginning of Sin** – Genesis 3:1-13
4. **The Price of Sin for All Mankind** – Genesis 3:14-24
5. **The Universal Flood** – Genesis 6, 7, 8 and Genesis – 9:1-17
6. **The Story of Abraham** – Genesis 12:1-9 and Genesis 15:1-6
7. **The Sacrifice of Isaac** – Genesis 22:1-19
8. **The Story of Moses and the Passover** – Exodus 12:1-28
9. **The Ten Commandments** – Exodus 20:1-21
10. **God, Man and Sin** – Deuteronomy 8:1-20 and Leviticus 4:27-31
11. **A Prophecy About the Saviour of the World** – Isaiah 53:1-12
12. **The Birth of Jesus** – Luke 1:1-38 and Luke 2:1-20
13. **The Baptism of Jesus** – Matthew 3:1-17 and John 2:29-34
14. **The Temptation of Jesus** – Matthew 4:1-11
15. **Nicodemus Visits Jesus** – John 3:1-21
16. **Jesus and the Woman at the Well** – John 4:1-42
17. **Jesus Forgives Sin / Heals the Sick** – Luke 5:17-26
18. **Jesus Calms a Raging Storm** – Mark 4:35-41
19. **Jesus Casts Out Demons** – Mark 5:1-20
20. **Jesus Raises Lazarus From the Dead** – John 11:1-44
21. **The Last Supper** – Luke 22:7-20
22. **Jesus Betrayed / Condemned** – John 18:1-40 and John 19:1-16
23. **The Death of Jesus** – Luke 23:26-56
24. **Jesus Conquers Death** – Luke 24:1-35
25. **Jesus Appears / Ascends** – Luke 24:36-53 and Acts 1:1-11
26. **Salvation and the Holy Spirit** – Acts 2:36-39

GROUP DISCUSSION

REFLECT

1. What are you thankful for?
2. What are you struggling with – or stressed by? Is there anything that this group can do (or pray) for you or someone you know?
3. Summarize what we studied last week. How did you apply this to your life? Who did you share it with / what was their reaction?

READ the passage

1. How would you re-tell this passage – simply – in your own words?
(Does everyone agree?)
2. What does this teach us about **God?** (or Jesus)
3. What does this teach us about ourselves and other **people?**

RESOLVE

1. If this story is true, what truth or example should you follow? How do you plan to do this in the coming week?
2. Who will you share this truth with this week?
3. Pray for success in doing these things in the coming week.
(Even – **“God, if you’re real, help me to”**)

EXPLORE

THE BIBLE

A Selection of Bible Portions For Group Discussions
For the Studious or the Curious