Hope in a Broken World

3/3 Bible Discovery Session

Jesus Demands a Choice (1 of 6) "Hope For the Humble"

Report & Celebrate (15-20 minutes)

1. Share & Care

 What is the high point of your week? The low point?



2. Accountability

Following

- · What do you remember from our last session?
- How has it impacted your life?



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- With whom did you share last week's story?
- How did it go? Were there challenges or questions?



3. Worship

Close this section with a simple prayer thanking God for what He has done this week!



Notes:

- Always read from the Bible. Use it as your only resource!
- Always remember that you are modelling how they will do this in the future, so don't get too creative!

[&]quot;For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for Me wholeheartedly, you will find Me." Jeremiah 29:11-13

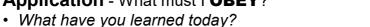
Hear & Obey (15-20 minutes)

4. New Lesson - What does the story **SAY**? Let participants read the story 2 times in two different translations.



- Is there anything that surprises or shocks you?
- What do you learn about people in this story?
- What do you learn about Jesus (God) in this story?
- Does your view of Jesus (God) change? How?
- · Where do you see yourself in this story? Why?

5. Application - What must I OBEY?



How will you apply it to your life?



Notes:

Guide

Do's and Do Not's

- Do keep it short (1 hour or less).
- **Do** let the Holy Spirit be the teacher.
- Do remember to study for obedience rather than for knowledge!
- **Don't** dominate the conversation; encourage everyone to participate. Facilitator = 30%, Participants = 70%
- · Don't demand correct answers.
- Don't get distracted, stay on topic.
- Don't be afraid to say "I don't know the answer, I'll get back to you."

Pride Goes Before Destruction Luke 14:7-14 (NLT)

7 When Jesus noticed that all who had come to the dinner were trying to sit in the seats of honor near the head of the table, He gave them this advice: 8 "When you are invited to a wedding feast, don't sit in the seat of honor. What if someone who is more distinguished than you has also been invited? 9 The host will come and say, 'Give this person your seat.' Then you will be embarrassed, and you will have to take whatever seat is left at the foot of the table!

10 "Instead, take the lowest place at the foot of the table. Then when your host sees you, he will come and say, 'Friend, we have a better place for you!' Then you will be honored in front of all the other guests. 11 For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

12 Then He turned to His host. "When you put on a luncheon or a banquet," He said, "don't invite your friends, brothers, relatives, and rich neighbors. For they will invite you back, and that will be your only reward. 13 Instead, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. 14 Then at the resurrection of the righteous, God will reward you for inviting those who could not repay you."

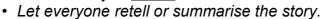
Proverbs 16:18

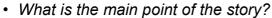
Pride goes before destruction, and haughtiness before a fall.

Go & Tell (15-20 minutes)

Practice 6.

Retell the story to model for them.







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7. Cast Vision

[Use the idea below or use your own idea: a Bible verse or a personal illustration to help participants see God's great love for them and how they can pass that love on to everyone!]



Letting Her Down - A girl went to a Catholic priest and confessed that she had incurred the sin of vanity. "What makes you think that?" asked the priest. "Because every morning, when I look into the mirror," she replied, "I think how beautiful I am." "Never fear," said the priest, "that isn't sin-that's just a mistake." Some fancy they have attained sinless perfection, but the mirror of the Word of God should be sufficient to show them that it is a mistake.

Instead of being full of ourselves, Jesus wants us to build others up! One way we can do this is to tell others how much Jesus loves them!

8. Plan - With whom can I SHARE?

- Who else needs to hear what you are learning?
- Is there anyone you can invite to join us?



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9. Pray

Model a simple prayer for participants, asking God to give them understanding and a desire to share what they've heard with others.



Extra Challenge (verse to memorize or Bible passages to read) **Discover Jesus**



