Hope in a Broken World

3/3 Bible Discovery Session

Jesus Demands a Choice (2 of 6) "No Hope for a Good Man"

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?



Repor

Fishing

- 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

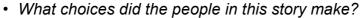
Hear & Obey (15-20 minutes)

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?







Notes:

- Before you read the story, explain that Jesus had 12 disciples. Disciples are people who spend a lot of time with a leader; being influenced by His teachings and trying to follow His example by modelling their lives after Him!
- At some point in this session, ask the participants "What are some things I have been modelling for you?" Help them think through each part of the "3/3rds pattern."

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."

The "Perfect" Rich Man Matthew 19:16-26 (NLT)

16 Someone came to Jesus with this question: "Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?"

17 "Why ask Me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. But to answer your question—if you want to receive eternal life, keep the commandments."

18 "Which ones?" the man asked.

And Jesus replied: "You must not murder. You must not commit adultery. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. 19 Honor your father and mother. Love your neighbor as yourself."

- 20 "I've obeyed all these commandments," the young man replied. "What else must I do?"
- 21 Jesus told him, "If you want to be perfect, go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow Me."
- 22 But when the young man heard this, he went away sad, for he had many possessions.
- 23 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "I tell you the truth, it is very hard for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. 24 I'll say it again—it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!"
- 25 The disciples were astounded. "Then who in the world can be saved?" they asked.
- 26 Jesus looked at them intently and said, "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But with God everything is possible."

Go & Tell (15-20 minutes)

6. Practice

Retell the story to model for them.



Let everyone retell or summarise the story.

Equip

What is the main point of the story?

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 <u>and</u> how they can pass that love on to everyone!]



Since the beginning of time, when God blessed someone, it was because He wanted to bless others THROUGH that person! **Genesis 18:17-19** says, "Should I hide my plan from Abraham?" the Lord asked. "For Abraham will certainly become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of theearth will be blessed through him. I have singled him out so that he will direct his sons and their families to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just."

It is still the same today, God wants to use you to tell others the good news about Him!

8. Plan - With whom can I SHARE?





 Who else needs to hear what you are learning?

Plan Reproduce

Is there anyone you can invite to join us?

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.



Pray

Extra Challenge (verse to memorize or Bible passages to read)

Need for Jesus



