

Hope in a Broken world

3/3 Bible Discovery Session

Jesus' Power to Save (6 of 6) **"Hope in the Resurrection"**

Report & Celebrate (15-20 minutes)

1. Share & Care

- *How has your week been?*



Care

2. Accountability

Following

- *What do you remember from our last session?*
- *How did you live out last week's story in your life?*



Report

Fishing

- *Did you tell anyone else what you learned?
How did it go? Were there challenges or questions?*



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3. Worship

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



Worship

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!

"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.

- *What do you learn about people in this story?*
- *What do you learn about Jesus (God) in this story?*
- *What do you conclude about the true identity of Jesus?*
- *Where do you see yourself in this story? Why?*
- *How do lives change in this story?*



Learn

5. Application - What must I **OBEY**?

- *Is there anything you think you should do as a result of hearing this story?*



Correct

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!
- The two disciples of Jesus that are specifically mentioned in this story are Peter and “the other disciple” who was John, the author of this story. Mary Magdalene was also a friend and a follower of Jesus.



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.”

Jesus Has Power Over Death! - John 20:1-21

(NLT)

1 Early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and found that the stone had been rolled away from the entrance. 2 She ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved. She said, "They have taken the Lord's body out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put Him!"

3 Peter and the other disciple started out for the tomb. 4 They were both running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5 He stooped and looked in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he didn't go in. 6 Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He also noticed the linen wrappings lying there, 7 while the cloth that had covered Jesus' head was folded up and lying apart from the other wrappings. 8 Then the disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in, and he saw and believed— 9 for until then they still hadn't understood the Scriptures that said Jesus must rise from the dead. 10 Then they went home.

11 Mary was standing outside the tomb crying, and as she wept, she stooped and looked in. 12 She saw two white-robed angels, one sitting at the head and the other at the foot of the place where the body of Jesus had been lying. 13 "Dear woman, why are you crying?" the angels asked her.

"Because they have taken away my Lord," she replied, "and I don't know where they have put Him."

14 She turned to leave and saw someone standing there. It was Jesus, but she didn't recognize Him. 15 "*Dear woman, why are you crying?*" Jesus asked her. "*Who are you looking for?*"

She thought He was the gardener. "Sir," she said, "if you have taken Him away, tell me where you have put Him, and I will go and get Him."

16 "*Mary!*" Jesus said. She turned to Him and cried out, "Rabboni!" (which is Hebrew for "Teacher").

17 "*Don't cling to Me,*" Jesus said, "*for I haven't yet ascended to the Father. But go find My brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, to My God and your God.'*"

18 Mary Magdalene found the disciples and told them, "I have seen the Lord!" Then she gave them His message.

19 That Sunday evening the disciples were meeting behind locked doors because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus was standing there among them! "*Peace be with you,*" He said. 20 As He spoke, He showed them the wounds in His hands and His side. They were filled with joy when they saw the Lord! 21 Again He said, "*Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, so I am sending you.*"

Go & Tell (15-20 minutes)

6. Practice

Retell the story to model for them.

- *Let everyone retell or summarise the story.*
- *What is the main point of the story?*



Equip

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!]

A sergeant was once asked how he was brought to Christ.

His answer was: "There is a private in our company who was converted. We gave that fellow an awful time. One night he came in from sentry duty, very tired and wet, and before going to bed he got down to pray. I struck him on the side of the head with my boots, and he just went on with his prayers. Next morning I found my boots beautifully polished by the side of my bed. That was his reply to me. It just broke my heart, and I was saved that day.—*Church of Christ Advocate*.

Jesus was also treated cruelly, and yet he loved us so much that he chose to die to pay the price for our sins! It is important for us to share this news with others!



Vision

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?*



Plan



Reproduce

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)

Identity of Jesus



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