

# DISCUSSION GUIDE

## *sunday school module two*

### MODULE 2: SCRIPTURE:STORY

#### DISCOVER (PRE-WORK)

Review this month's Sunday School resource packet.  
(found here: [www.doxa-church.com/sundayschool](http://www.doxa-church.com/sundayschool))

#### NURTURE

In light of this month's Sunday School module, consider the following questions together for the sake of deeper understanding and accountability.

1. Justin talked about the Bible primarily being a story, what are the implications of this? Is that how you have understood the Bible? If not, how were you taught to understand it?
2. Not only is the Bible a story but it is, first and foremost, a story about God. How might this shift the way we read and, more importantly, apply the Bible to our lives? In other words, if the Bible is about God, who is it not about?
3. At Doxa, we talk about the big picture story of the Bible as Creation, Fall, Redemption and Restoration. Is this a helpful way to understand the Bible? Why or why not? How could you use it to share the gospel with a friend?
4. Another implication of the Bible being the story of God, is that it is not primarily a history, science, philosophy or how-to manual. Have you seen or used the Bible as any of these things in the past? How has that worked out? Have you been frustrated by its inability to fully be one of those things? How does this change the way you read the Bible?

## **ACT**

For this resource, the ACT section revolves primarily around the practice of the current month's Spiritual Discipline. The discipline for this month is Lectio Divina.

1. This week, continue to practice Lectio Divina, but choose a large narrative section of scripture and read it through several times, as you would any story. Then choose a section from an epistle (Ephesians 2, 1 Corinthians 1 or Romans 9 are good options). After reading them a few times, start to notice how the story affects your emotions differently than the epistolary section. How does it draw you in differently? Do they each teach you? How do they teach differently?
2. Incorporate last month's practice, prayer journaling, and write down your experiences with Lectio. Share your observations with your DNA partners.
3. Challenge yourself and your DNA partners to engage narrative differently than you do epistles or wisdom literature. Work to prepare yourself to read a passage on its own terms and engage it the way it was written to be engaged.