



Crossroads The Story Discussion Guide

“God Speaks”

Week of: January 6, 2019

*People are the pinnacle of God's Creative work,
and he is in relentless pursuit of a relationship with each of us.*

This first chapter is the foundational building blocks. God is creator and initiator. People are the crown of his creative activity. God wants to be in relationship with us. Through people messed up and embraced sin rather than their creator, God Loves us so desperately that he will do whatever it takes to build a bridge back to a relationship with us. What a story! What a God!

OPEN YOUR GROUP WITH A PRAYER. THIS IS ONLY A GUIDE – SELECT THE POINTS YOU WANT TO DISCUSS.

1. When God looked at creation and declared it both “good” and “very good” what do you think he was trying to express?
2. Genesis 1:26-27 (The Story, pp. 2-3) says that we are made in the image of God. How do we, as people, actually reflect the image of God?
3. Pastor Charles talked about the “Upper Story,” “Lower Story,” and “Our Story” in his message. How do you define the Upper, Lower and Our Story in Chapter one?
4. Adam and Eve made a choice to eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. They rejected God’s vision for their lives and declared that they wanted to run their own universe and be their own god. How do you see that same sinful desire and behavior in our lives today and how does it influence our daily walk with God?

Diving Deeper

1. If God truly loved Adam and Eve, why would he throw them out of the garden?
2. What are ways to identify that we are about to enter into sinful and rebellious actions and how can we stop before we have crossed the line?
3. Take time this week to meditate on the depth of God’s love for humanity. Why would he keep pursuing us even after we have rebelled and rejected him? How can you express thanks for his seeking love? What can you do to celebrate the good news that God pursues you, even when you are not embracing his will and desires for you?
4. Take a walk outside and notice the beauty of what God has made. Look at the intricacies of a leaf, the expanse of the sky. Thank God for making this amazing world. As you walk, seek to talk to God as though you were two friends walking in a garden. Tell him about your life, feelings, joys, and fears. Ask him to help you learn to walk with him each and every day.

Read for Next Session

Take time before your next group meeting to read chapter 2 of “The Story”