



March 22-23, 2019

\$25 per person

Zillah Nazarene

203 Miles Dr., Zillah, WA

Tell THE Story is an engaging and reproducible method of discipleship. Learn how to lead people to deep spiritual discoveries as you listen to God's word, the Holy Spirit and each other.

Tell The Story is For: Pastors, Sunday School Teachers, Small-Group Leaders and everyone interested in sharing their faith.

Participants earn 10 CEUs

Register on the District Website Jan. 8–March 8

www.nwdistrict.org/events

Hotel Information

Best Western Vintage Valley Inn

911 Vintage Valley Pkwy, Zillah

509-829-3399

King Room: \$110.50

Double Queen Room: \$115.00

THOUGHT PROCESSES DIFFER FOR THOSE WHO READ REGULARLY AND THOSE WHO DO NOT

Those who depend mostly on verbal communication to learn (often called oral learners) retain information differently than those who depend on reading and writing to communicate. Oral learners often do not understand logical, analytical and abstract ways of thinking. They learn better by thinking and talking about events, by watching and imitating. They are good listeners and memorize easily. Those who learn by reading (also known as literate learners) think and talk about words, concepts and principles. They classify, compare, analyze, and rely on looking things up in books rather than on memorizing. They often are not good listeners.

It is estimated that 70% of the people in the world are oral learners; consequently, when information is presented to them through the use of story, they learn and retain much more than when knowledge is shared through systematic outlines of information or lecture.

People always “see” themselves in the story; Tell THE Story methods bring the story into their lives. Tell THE Story helps people take the next step in moving from their own discoveries into real life transformation.

WHAT IS TELL THE STORY?

More than two-thirds of the world’s population can’t, won’t, or don’t read. Some estimate that as many as 75% of all people learn, gather information, and live their daily lives without reading. They do so by listening and watching rather than by reading.

The Church of the Nazarene is responding to the challenge of making disciples of oral learners by introducing a relational small group discipleship tool called Tell THE Story. It is a simple, easy-to-learn method in which a facilitator, not an instructor, tells a Bible story accurately, then immediately asks the group members to retell the story to one another. Then the facilitator tells the story again, making intentional errors, and the group corrects the errors.

By this time, everyone has heard the story at least three times and is able to engage in these five open-ended questions:

*What do you like about the story?

*What do you not like about the story?

*Who would you want to be or not want to be in this story, and why?

*What truth from this story could you share with some one else?

*What truth from this story will you apply in your own life?

This narrative methodology is a tool Jesus used for teaching. Mark 4:33-34 points out that Jesus did not speak to the people without using a parable or story.