

# UNDERSTANDING THE STORY

This set of 15 stories is intended to give the readers an overview of the story of God as we find it in the Bible. These stories will lay a foundation of understanding about what the Bible says. Use the process on the back of this sheet to study and respond to these stories with a group of friends or family.

- ❑ Study 1: Creation: God creates the world (Genesis 1:1-24)
- ❑ Study 2: The Fall of Man: The first sin and its punishment (Genesis 3)
- ❑ Study 3: Redemption : Abraham sacrifices his son (Genesis 22:1-19)
- ❑ Study 4: Redemption : The sacrificial law (Leviticus 4)
- ❑ Study 5: Redemption : Isaiah's prophecy of suffering servant (Isaiah 53)
- ❑ Study 6: Redemption : Miraculous birth of Jesus (Luke 1:26-38; Luke 2:1-20)
- ❑ Study 7: Redemption : Jesus' baptism (Matthew 3; John 1:29-34)
- ❑ Study 8: Redemption : Jesus cast out demons (Mark 5:1-20)
- ❑ Study 9: Redemption : Jesus feeds five thousand (John 6:1-37)
- ❑ Study 10: Redemption : Jesus told about the Way of God (Luke 10:25-37; Luke 15:11-32)
- ❑ Study 11: Redemption : Jesus raised the dead (John 11:1-44)
- ❑ Study 12: Redemption : Jesus crucified (Luke 23:32-56)
- ❑ Study 13: Redemption : Jesus conquered death (Luke 24:1-35)
- ❑ Study 14: Redemption : Jesus revealed self and goes to heaven (Luke 24:36-53)
- ❑ Study 15: Summary: Do you want to follow the Way of God? (John 3:1-21; Matthew 7:13-1)

# Looking Back

1. What are you thankful for?
2. What are you struggling with / stressed by? How about your family, friends, and neighbors?

## **REVIEW the previous story**

Ask someone to retell the story from the last meeting.

1. What did this teach us?
2. How did you apply?
3. Was there a group application?
4. Who did you tell (and how did they respond)?

# Looking Up

Read the passage multiple times and have everyone RETELL story

1. What do you like about this story?
2. What does this teach us about God?
3. What does this teach us about ourselves / humans?

# Looking Forward

1. How can we apply these lessons to our lives?
2. Is there some way we could apply this as a group?
3. Who are you going to tell?