

GROUP CHECK-IN (20 mins):

Take a few minutes to catch up and see how everyone is doing.

- “How was your week? What was the high point? What was the low point?”

QUICK RECAP

Last week we were introduced to the 5H’s (heritage, heroes, high points, hard times, and hand of God moments). We used the 5H’s to brainstorm story details, we then organized the details into chapters to help us be ready to share part of our story when the opportunity shows up. The training also challenged us to **look for the overlap**, to pay attention to the moments when someone’s struggle or season sounds familiar, because it may be a moment when God wants to use our story to offer comfort, encouragement, or hope. Remember, you have a story and your story matters. God is the author and He never writes boring, worthless stories. In fact, your story has the power to rewrite the ending of someone else’s.

DISCUSS (15 mins):

1. What’s a story (book, movie, testimony, etc.) that’s stuck with you and why?



READ

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

2. What has God brought you through that you think he may want you to share with others to give them comfort and encouragement?

PRACTICE (15 mins each):

Each member choose 2 of their chapters and share them with the group. Aim to share each chapter in about 5 minutes. When a person is done sharing, thank them for being real and vulnerable.



ACCOUNTABILITY

Remember to map out the rest of your chapters this week.

PRAYER (5 mins):

Choose one or more people to pray for the group members: (Here are some prompts to help if you are having trouble getting started):

- "Thank you God for the ways you have shown up in our stories."
- "Give us the wisdom and courage to share a chapter of our story with someone who needs to hear it."
- "Help us get better at sharing the Gospel through our stories."

MIDWEEK CHECK-IN

Send out a group text:



"Have you all finished mapping out all of your chapters?"

"Has anyone had any opportunities to share part of their story or seen any areas of potential overlap where they might be able to share in the future?"