

Sermon Based Bible Study (Template)

Series: *ALL IN*

Title: Inviting Others into the Story

Scripture: Topical

Opening: (1-2 Short Questions)

- What is your favourite novel or movie?
- What *makes* it your favourite?

WARNING: Don't let this last too long! You want this to get the ball rolling not to be the only thing you get to in the night.

Dig

Reviewing the Message (1-2 questions like these):

- What did God teach you through the message this weekend?
- Are there any personal insights or discussion coming out of Sunday's message?
- As you reflect on last weekend's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?

Engaging the Message

- Pastor Dave said the first act of a story is to **Establish Conflict** when you think of your friends who don't know Jesus, what do you think is their biggest obstacle in believing in God?

- **Read: Romans 3:23 and 5:12**

- How is it that the sin of one man effects all of humanity?
- Some people respond badly to the idea of being called a “sinner” what are some ways we can talk about sin that help people understand the concept without using the word?
- The second act of a story is **Added Complications**. When you think of one or two people you’d like to share the Gospel with, how can you “*Tell them a better story*” to overcome their obstacles of believing?
- The third act is the **Resolution**. When you think about how God pursues us, what is the most meaningful image or story?

Living it out - Application

- What scares you the most about sharing the Gospel?
- There are many ways of sharing the Gospel, what have you found the most effective?
- How can we encourage one another to more effectively share the Gospel?
- Pastor Dave gave a number of ways to start sharing about Jesus, he used the BLESS acronym (Begin with prayer, Listen to their story, Eat together, Serve one another, Share the Gospel) as well as inviting, including, and practicing hospitality – which of these can you do?

PRAYER

(Consider breaking up into small groups of 3 or 4, either as couples, or as just men and just women)

- Pray for your friends to know Jesus
- Are there...
 - Specific things to pray about
 - Specific needs to focus on
 - A prayer focus that comes out of the message