

BIBLE STORYTELLING - PARTICIPANT HANDOUT

A Flexible Storytelling Training for Any Narrative Bible Passage

TODAY'S PASSAGE: _____

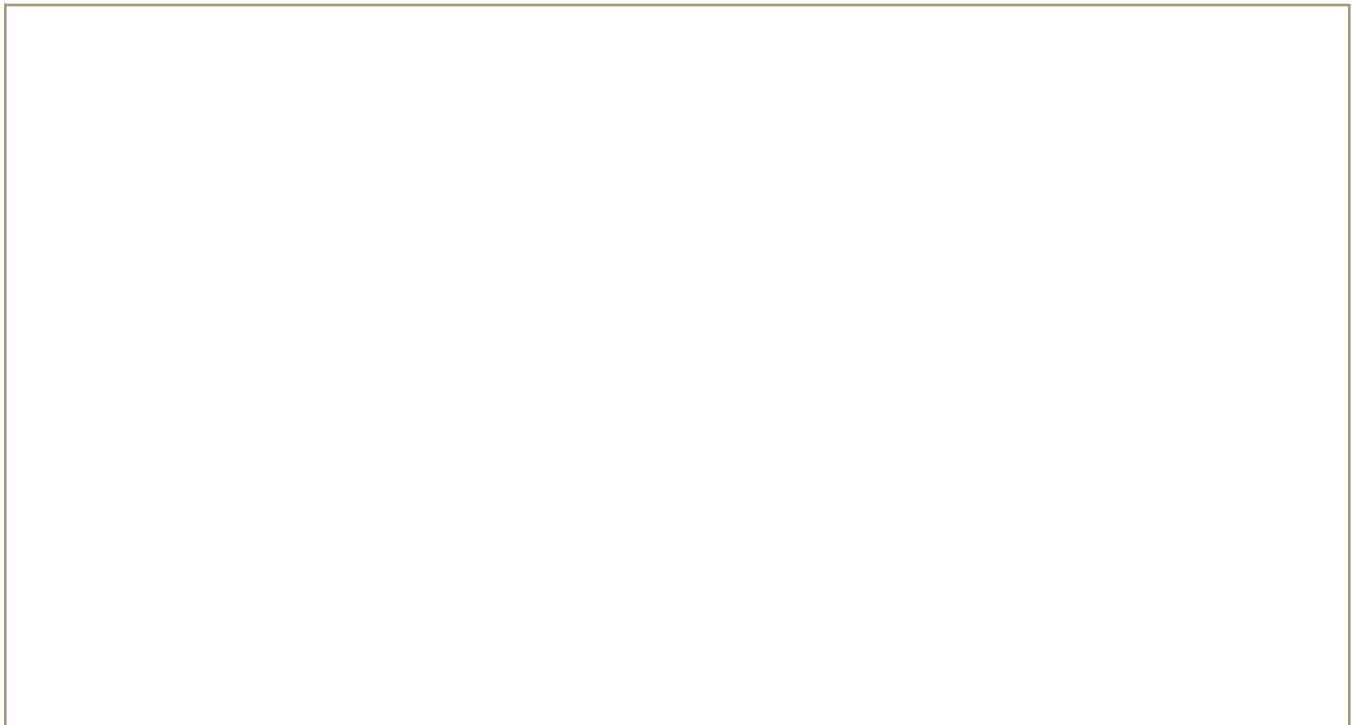
STORYTELLING TIPS

Keep these in mind as you learn the passage today and as you share it with others later.

- **Give a thought-by-thought account.** Memorize the main details in order, not word-for-word.
- **Stick to the story.** Do not add details, invent names, or modernize the narrative.
- **Explain unfamiliar words.** Define terms someone without Bible background may not know.
- **Leave out distracting place names.** Replace unfamiliar locations with a simple phrase.
- **Never start with "Once upon a time."** Try "There is a story in the Bible where..." instead.

STORYBOARD YOUR PASSAGE

Draw along with your facilitator in the box below. Stick figures and simple shapes are perfect — they're quick visual cues to help you remember the story.



SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION

Use these questions to reflect on what you encountered in the passage and how you might share it with others.

- 1. What does God want you to know about Him, Jesus, or the Holy Spirit from this passage?**
- 2. What does God want you to know about the specific people, humanity, or yourself, from this passage?**
- 3. What is your response to this passage?**
- 4. In what circumstance would knowing and sharing this account be beneficial?**
- 5. Do you know someone who may need to hear about this account this week?**

REFLECT & CONNECT

When we memorize and retell Scripture, we are storing God's Word in our hearts to be used by the Holy Spirit at any time. This week, look for one person or conversation where this passage might naturally come up — and be ready to share what you've learned. Let others see how God's Word is shaping your life.