



INTRODUCTION

Goal: That all participants know the importance of understanding God's story through His covenants.

Note to the leader: Please take a moment to watch the "Story of Salvation" introduction video (not the leader's introduction) with your group. This video introduces the concept of covenant and the importance of knowing our story, the story of salvation. Let your group know that you will be watching the video this week to introduce the study. The introductory video is the only one you will show to your group. The other videos for chapters 1 - 7 are for your preparation only.

DISCUSSION:

1. What were your reactions to Evelyn Waugh's story?

Allow the group to discuss.

2. In the video, Kevin talked about the chaos that exists in the world. Have you ever experienced this before?

Allow the group to discuss.

3. How have you experienced God's plan in your life? How did these moments change you?

Allow the group to discuss.

4. If you had to explain a covenant to someone, what would you say? What's the difference between a contract and a covenant?

Answer: A contract is an exchange of goods or services (e.g., a cell phone contract or rental agreement). A covenant is an exchange of persons where an oath is sworn and people are changed (e.g., marriage).

5. What does a covenant say about who God is?

Answer: God is willing to give Himself to us, even if we don't deserve it. He is overabundant in His desire to give Himself to others.

6. Do you always view God this way? If not, what are some obstacles that prevent that?

Allow the group to discuss.

7. In the past, how have you interacted with Scripture? Were you able to see the whole story?

Allow the group to discuss.

8. Why do you think understanding the big picture of Scripture is important?

Allow the group to discuss. It shows that God has a plan for the history of mankind and for our own lives as well.

9. Imagine that you are sitting here after finishing the whole study. What's one thing you hope to get out of studying the story of salvation?

Allow the group to discuss.

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