

STRONG START

NEW GROUP CURRICULUM



WEEK 4 & 5

This Facilitator Guide will help you lead conversation.

[Brackets] indicate simple cues for you, as a facilitator, not intended to be read aloud.

CONVERSATION STARTER

Share your favorite movie and tell why you connect with the story in the movie.

[Play Week 4 & 5 Video, then move onto the Discussion Questions.]

KEY POINTS

We are storytelling creatures made to share common and extravagant stories with one another.

Your story matters because it shows people where Jesus has been working. Sharing what he's doing is a gift to those who hear it.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

[Allow everyone to tell their story using the following questions as a guide. It is important that everyone share, so use two weeks if needed. Encourage group members to be active listeners. Consider making copies of this sheet for everyone to make personal notes about their story.]

Give the group a few minutes to reflect on and write a few thoughts on the discussion questions. When the group is ready, the LIFE Group leader starts first. Then one by one let everyone have their chance to share their story.]

1: What have you hoped for in life?

2: What obstacles have you encountered along the way?

3: What people, events, and places shaped who you are today?

4: No matter where we are on our journey with Christ, he's been at work in our story. Where have you seen God at work throughout your story?

PRAYER

Ask everyone for personal prayer requests. Galatians 6:2 says, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

What can the group carry with you this week to make you stronger?

What can the group celebrate with you this week to share in your joy?

LIFE Group leader asks others to pray if they feel comfortable then closes in prayer.