The Outpost Network

"SEVEN STORIES OF HOPE"

A Discovery Bible study to help those far from God have hope.

Bible Passages:

- 1. <u>Hope for the Rejected:</u> The Sinful Woman- Luke 7:36-50
- 2. <u>Hope for the Non-Religious:</u> (Pharisee & Tax Collector) Luke 18:9-17
- 3. <u>Hope Changes things:</u> (Zacchaeus) Luke 19:1-10
- 4. <u>Hope Forgives:</u> (Unforgiving Servant) Matthew 18:21-35
- 5. <u>Hope Through Death:</u> (Thieves on the Cross) Luke 22:66 23:25
- 6. <u>Hope Rose from the Dead:</u> (Resurrection)- Luke 24:1-20
- 7. <u>Hope is Waiting for You:</u> (Prodigal Son) Luke 15:11-32

DISCOVERING THE BIBLE TOGETHER:

Repeat this process for each story...



LOOKING BACK:

- o Care:
 - Give them a chance to briefly share how they are doing & listen.
- Accountability:
 - Grow: Ask how they obeyed Jesus last week.
 - Go: Ask who they shared last week's story with over the past week.



LOOKING UP:

- <u>Discover the Bible Together</u>. Use one of the stories listed above to...
 - Tell the story from memory.
 - Retell the story together.
 - Read the story together from the Bible.
 - Discuss the story together using the "SWORD" Bible Study questions:
 - What do we learn about God/Jesus?
 - What do we learn from the people in this story?
 - Use "S.P.E.C." to discuss from the passage if there is a...
 - Sin to avoid?
 - o Promise to claim?
 - Example to follow?
 - Command to obey?
 - Who do you most identify with in the story and why?
- o <u>Invite:</u> Ask, "What keeps you from following Jesus today?"
- o Practice: Pair up and practice telling the story together



LOOKING AHEAD:

- Set Grow & Go Goals:
 - Grow: From the story, what is Jesus asking you to obey this week?
 - Go: Who is someone in your life that you think needs to hear this story?
- o Pray!