

Icebreaker Question:

Do you feel you are a good storyteller? Why or why not? What makes a good storyteller?

Luke 4:16-19

Q. What did Jesus mean when he said "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing"?

Luke 24: 13-24

After the cross the disciples were at a low point, trying to understand all that had happened. Q. What was Cleopas perception of who Jesus was?

Luke 24: 13-35

Q. What did Jesus do to explain the gospel to them, and why did he do that? Could he have done it another way? Why didn't he?

Q. How were the disciples feeling at this point? What were they thinking? How would you be feeling?

(Have different people in the group read one of the following verses back-to-back) Acts 2:14, 16, 25, 34, 40-41

Q. According to these passages, is the gospel message in the Old Testament?

Acts 10: 34-43

Q. Why do you think Peter chose not to quote from the prophets here?

Q. What are some similarities between the two presentations of the Gospel, and what does that tell you?

Q. Were you aware the story of Jesus was taught throughout the whole Old Testament, or did you think it was just in a handful of choice prophetic passages like the Psalms or Isaiah?

Q. Do you think studying the Old Testament is essential to our understanding the gospel story? Why and why not?

Q. Do you feel the OT is hard to understand? Have you ever felt intimidated to study the OT?

Q. How can you find help to understand it better?

Closing Thought:

In the beginning we asked ourselves if we think we are good storytellers. God has been telling a story since the beginning of time. And he has invited us to tell the Story of Jesus to those we know. Practice telling the story in your own way. It doesn't have to be complicated.

Q. Time permitting, share among yourselves different ways you've learned to see the gospel in the Old Testament in your personal studies.