

This guide is given to <u>aide</u> in the facilitation of leading your small group. It is <u>only an aide</u> for you to experience Christ together.

Prayer: Begin your time in group together by inviting God to be with you. Ask Him to change you as you seek Him and study His Word together. Ask him to use everyone in the group to encourage, challenge, and teach one another.

Bible Study:

- 1. This weekend, we continued our series, "Pages," by celebrating Easter. Pastor Vance looked to 1 Timothy 2:3-6 to teach three truths from the story of the Bible. The first truth he taught was, "You have a purpose."
 - a. What three important words from verses 3 and 4 did Pastor Vance talk about that showed us we have a purpose?
 - b. What is our purpose according to this passage?
- 2. Secondly, Pastor Vance taught, "You have a problem." Out of verse 5, Pastor Vance showed us that we require a mediator: one who reconciles separated parties.
 - a. Why do we need a mediator between us and God? (Read Isaiah 59:2)
 - b. What exactly is our problem according to this passage?
- 3. In light of this problem, Pastor Vance has showed us what we have tried to do in order to fix the separation between us and God. He illustrated this using three different words: Religion, Good works, and Morality.
 - a. What is Religion? How do we, intentionally or not, use religion to bring us back to God?
 - b. What are Good Works? How do we, intentionally or not, use religion to bring us back to God?
 - c. What is Morality? How do we, intentionally or not, use religion to bring us back to God?
- 4. Finally, Pastor Vance taught, "God has a plan." Form this we talked about how Jesus has become our mediator between us and God.
 - a. Out of 1 Timothy 2:6, how did Jesus make us right with God?
 - b. What should we do in response to this reality?

Practical Application: How can you take this "cliff's notes" version of the story of the Bible and share it with someone who hasn't heard it before?