



# BREAKING BARRIERS

The Bible is filled with stories and letters that reflect God's mission of reconciliation - God reconciled to people and people to each other. God's reconciliation has no regard for social status, ethnicity, religious background or personal history. This Discovery Bible Study explores how Jesus came to earth to break barriers and has invited us to do the same.

## Sunday DBS Story Passage(s)

Sunday, October 16*	Christ's Ambassadors	2 Corinthians 5:11 - 6:2	
Sunday, October 23*	Caught in the Act	John 7:53 - 8:11	
Sunday, October 30	A Party at Matthew's	Matthew 9:9-13	
Sunday, November 6*	Reconciled in Jesus	Ephesians 2:11-22	
Sunday, November 13	Thirsty for God	John 4:1-26	
Sunday, November 20	A Transformed Life	Mark 5:1-20	
Sunday, November 27	A Memorable Act	Luke 7:36 - 50	
Sunday, December 4	One Thank You!	Luke 17:11-19	
Sunday, December 11*	The Royal Law	James 2:1-13	
Sunday, December 18*	My Chosen Instrument	Acts 9:1-9, 22:6-11; 26:12-18	
Sunday, December 25	Coming to Your House Luke 19:1-10		
Sunday, January 1	The Sheep & The Goats Matthew 25:31-46		

<sup>\*</sup> Catalyst Vineyard Church meets at the Murray's house on these dates.

# Discovery Bible Study (DBS) Process & Group Questions

#### **LOOK BACK & CARE**

- Q1: What are you THANKFUL for?

  How did God SHOW UP in your life this past week?
- Q2: What CHALLENGES OR STRESSES are you facing in your life right now? Is there anything the group can do to HELP?
  - \* Pray for each other (the person to your right prays for your need immediatly!)
- Q3 a: Did you follow through on your "I WILL DO..." statement?
  - b: Did you follow through on your "I WILL TELL..." statement?

#### **LOOK UP & DISCOVER**

#### **HEAR from God**

- READ the passage in at least 2 translations.
- Have everyone RETELL it in their own words.

### REFLECT on what it says (What STANDS OUT to you in the passage?)

Q4: What does the passage tell us about GOD/JESUS/HOLY SPIRIT?

Q5: What does this passage tell us about PEOPLE?

### **RESPOND** to what is says

Q6: How can you OBEY (put	into action) what God is showing you in this passage?
Create an "I WILL DO	" statement.

### SHARE the story

Q7: Who are you go	ing to SHARE t	his story with,	and what you	discovered in th	ıis
passage? Align	your story with	the passage.			

Create an "	'I WII I TFI I	" statement

# Discovery Group (DBS) Coaching TIPS

- 1. Ask questions, don't teach.
- 2. Try to stay in the passage.
  - a) Off Base: Where do you see that in this passage?
  - b) Off Story: Do you mind if we keep to this particular passage?
  - c) Off Mission: Instead of interpreting the passage can we stick to retelling it?
- 3. Focus on applying what is discovered.
- 4. Multiply. Find Persons of Peace who can start and lead a group of their own.
- 5. Pass on leadership. Either coach the Person of Peace from the outside (sidelines) or leave the Discovery Group after no more than 3 gatherings.
- 6. Always use a team approach (2x2).

