

It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that you will talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has lasting impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

Intentional Living

Life's ups and downs have made us who we are today. By sharing your life story with others, you can be God's tool in helping them get through life as well. We may not know how much we affect them or how they might go on to affect others. But we need to start embracing the mindset that we can make a difference when we allow God to work through us.

Two Key Steps to Begin:

1. **Be the ONE – and Start WRITING.** Have you been sitting on the sideline instead of participating? Talk about something you can do this week to start making a difference to those around you.

Ecclesiastes 9:10; Ephesians 4:1

2. **Be the ONE – and Start Writing YOUR Story.** What do you need to do to start writing your story? What experiences have you had that could help someone else? *Psalm 119:29: Romans 5:3*

How Do We Effectively START Writing OUR Story?

- 1. **Put YourSELF into Your Story** We all go through struggles in our lives. How has God turned those struggles into gifts that you can share with others? *I Peter 4:10; Isaiah 43:18-19; 1 Corinthians 12:7*
- 2. **Put Your SUBSTANCE into Your Story** What do you consider to be your best talent? How can you use it to help others? Are you willing to allow God to use you as His tool to help others?

Proverbs 3:9; Ephesians 4:7

3. **Put Your START into Your Story** – Discuss what you and your group can start doing this week. What can you personally do to start helping someone else? *Psalm 118:24; Job 8:7*

Make it Real

- Allow God to direct your story.
- Share your story with someone.
- Encourage someone else to start writing their story.