Discussion Questions

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Series: THE REAL THING: Living for Impact

Message: "God's Story in Us"

Scriptures: Psalm 107:1-2; 13-14

- 1. Ice Breaker: Share a story (of someone's testimony) that personally impacted your life.
- 2. If you are trusting and following Jesus, have you given much thought to sharing your story of how God transformed (and still is transforming) your life?
- 3. Read Psalm 107:1-2. It's very clear that God expects "the redeemed of the Lord" to tell their story. What are the "real life" issues that keep Christians from sharing their stories?
- 4. Read Psalm 107:13-14. What stands out to you in this passage?
- 5. As you think about Chuck and Rose's story (video testimony), what encourages you?
- 6. What aspects of Chuck and Rose's story ties into our Vision, Mission and Values? (VMV verbiage is on our website homepage for quick reference.)
- 7. For a great case study, check out Paul's **Before/Commitment/After** story in **Acts 26**.

Bottom Line: God wants to use your life to impact other people. One of the ways he does that is through your story. You have a story to tell – who you were BEFORE Christ, how you COMMITTED your life to Christ, and what has happened AFTER you began to trust and follow Jesus.

Challenge:

What if you were to organize it in such a way that would make sense?

Begin writing your story in three parts: BEFORE, COMMITMENT, AFTER

BEFORE

What was your lifestyle like?
How did you deal with challenges, setbacks and crises?
What did you feel was missing in your life?
What were your hopes and dreams?
Where were you spiritually?

COMMITMENT

What were the events and circumstances that cause you to consider Christ?
What made you realize you needed God in your life?
When did you realize you needed forgiveness and had to change the way you were living?

AFTER

How has Christ made a difference in your life?
How has his forgiveness impacted you?
How have your thoughts and attitudes changed?
How does your faith in Jesus affect your hopes and dreams?
Now that you are in Christ, how are you fulfilling your purpose?

- If you have never experienced the salvation that only comes through Jesus, please reach out to us as pastors@connectchristianchurch.org. We would love to talk with you and pray with you and lead you into God's Presence.