

EPISODE: 445

TITLE: **Using The Story of God in Community**

Teaching the Story has been the most consistent way we have seen Christians and not-yet believers come to truly embrace the God of the Bible *and* his mission.

Here are three key things to believe and consider about teaching the Story of God:

1. **What we believe about God and what he is like will ultimately determine what we believe about ourselves and how life works.** This is why it is so important that we know, understand, and believe God's big story. It's not enough to know a lot of stuff about God and the Bible; we need to do all that we can to understand and experience our good Father's loving pursuit as seen throughout all of Scripture. And we need to help others do the same.
2. **Christians don't really know the Bible that well.** Often when people first hear about taking disciples through the Bible in a narrative and dialogical manner, it sounds like it's something only for kids or those who have little to no Bible knowledge. Not true! We have consistently found that even the super-seasoned saints and highly educated Christians are blown away by the Story of God. While our traditional Bible studies and preaching may teach folks a lot *about* the Bible at a head knowledge level, going through the Story chronologically in narrative form captures their hearts in a way they have never experienced.
3. **Start to live a Story-Formed life.** Get to know the overarching themes and story of the Bible. Get to know the stories of those in your community or circle of close friends. Know each other's stories well enough to know where you are still living with unbelief in the Gospel. Do you spend time getting to know your neighbors' stories and sharing yours with them? And please, invite others into God's story! Plan to go through the Storyformed Way with your community and the People of Peace in your life soon.

Get the Story of God materials here: [everydaydisciple.com/story](http://everydaydisciple.com/story)

If you are interested in learning a full framework for discipleship and mission, which includes training on using the Story of God in community... which is a huge part of growing in gospel fluency, let's set up a Discovery call to get so I can get to know you better and tell you all about the Everyday Disciple *Makers* coaching experience we offer...!

Thanks for listening... we'll see you in the next episode!

~Caesar