

1. The Sinful Woman

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- Don't chase "rabbits" (subjects which are appealing, but off the topic)
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1. First Third of the Disciple Cycle (20-30 minutes)

Trainer tells his/her story, then ask one or more of them to tell their story if they are comfortable doing so.

2. Second Third of the Disciple Cycle (20-30 minutes)

Ask two willing volunteers to read the story below *in two different translations*, (ask two different people, or you read it once, and one other person reads it once) *then* pray a short prayer (or ask someone to pray) for The Holy Spirit to teach us. *Trainer* then retells the story, to model for them to retell later.

The Sinful Woman: *Luke 7:36-50*

Sword Bible Study Method: (*remember: encourage ALL participation and answers*)

1. What does this story say about Jesus?
2. What does this story say about the sinful woman? What does this story say about Simon the Pharisee (Jewish religious scholar)? What does this story say about the other guests?
3. What are the sins to avoid in this story? What are the promises to claim in this story?
4. What are the examples to follow in this story? What are the commands to obey in this story?
5. Who do you identify with in this story? Why?

3. Final Third of the Disciple Cycle: Practice (20-30 minutes)

- Get in groups of 2-3, and retell the Bible story above to each other in their own words. (or do a skit to retell the story)
- Ask 2-3 willing volunteers to retell the story to everyone.
- Trainers share whom they will tell this story to this week. Do they have a friend they can share this story with this week?
- Share personally (trainers) what you will do this week because of this story. Ask them what they will do because of this story. Pray for them to succeed at what they said they would do. (and other needs)

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- **Fishing:** Who did you retell last week's story to? How did it go? Were there challenges, questions? Pray for friend and people who heard the story that week!
- **Following:** How did you live out the story from last week in your own lives?

2. Second Third of the Disciple Cycle (20-30 minutes)

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Who can come to God? Luke 18:9-17

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2. What does this story say about the Pharisee (Jewish religious scholar)? What does this story say about the tax collector? What does this story say about the disciples? What does this story say about the children?
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Who is your God? Matthew 25:31-46

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2. What does this story say about the people? What does this story say about sheep and goats?
3. What are the sins to avoid in this story? What are the promises to claim in this story?
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Who is your God? Matthew 16:21-17:9

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1. What does this story say about Jesus? What does this story say about God? What does this story say about God the Father?
2. What does this story say about the elders and chief priests? What does this story say about disciples? What does this story say about Peter?
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Who is your God? Luke 22:66-23:25; 23:32-43

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2. What does this story say about the disciples? What does this story say about the elders and people of Jerusalem? What does this story say about criminals to Jesus left and right? What does this story say about soldiers?
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Cost of following Christ Luke 18:18-30, 19:1-10

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1. What does this story say about Jesus? What does this story say about God?
2. What does this story say about a certain ruler? What does this story say about Zacchaeus? What does this story say about Peter? What's this story say about religious people?
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Merciful King Matthew 18:21-35

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2. What does this story say about Peter? What does this story say about Master? What does this story say about servants?
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