

YOUR STORY, GOD'S STORY

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*"O Lord, you have searched me and known me!
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.*

*You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether.*

*You hem me in, behind and before and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it."
- Psalm 139:1-6*

1. Read Psalm 139:1-6 (above). What is the big idea? What does this say about the hand of God in our lives?
2. This week, we are each going to share one aspect of our story: our heroes. Take turns going around the room leaving enough time for each person in the group to share about 2-3 of his or her heroes. Feel free to affirm what you hear from each person or ask follow-up questions as you go.

This should be a fun conversation sharing about a few people who have made a positive, personal influence in your life. A hero may be a coach or teacher who believed in your gifts, a small group leader or pastor who spoke into your life, a friend who pointed you in the right direction during a pivotal season of life, a parent or sibling who was a role model, or an historical figure or influential leader who impacted you in a unique way.

As you think about your heroes, hopefully you have had time to consider questions like these:

- Who has influenced me for good? How did they specifically do so?
 - After whom would I like to model my life? Why?
 - Who inspired me as a child? Why?
 - Who has shaped my character or direction in life? How? Why?
 - Did you have any spiritual heroes or mentors?
 - What did they impart to me that I am grateful for?
3. What is one thing that stood out to you about this process? Do you feel like you learned something about each person in the group? Why or why not?
 4. Take a few minutes at the end of your discussion to pray for one another and to thank God for the way He uniquely created each person and cares about each story.