

Master Story-Teller #7 Be Good Soil Sunday, Sept 19, 2021 Gahanna campus

WELCOME (15 minutes)

• Ice Breaker: If you were to change careers and become a farmer, what kind of crops would you like to raise?

WORSHIP (10 minutes)

• Using your favorite streaming service, sing together "**My Jesus**" by Anne Wilson. Lyrics are on the back.

WIN (15 minutes)

- Plan a **fun** activity to do together.
- Plan a **serving** activity to do together.

WORD (25 minutes)

Have everyone turn to and someone read Mark 4:1-20.

- 1. Do you think that a person is one kind of "soil" throughout his or her life? How about you? What has the "soil" been like at different times in your life? What kind of "soil" best represents you right now?
- 2. We all fit into the "thorny soil" category from time to time. What are some of the chief concerns that choke out your ability to listen and respond to God? What is the biggest thorn choking out the Word of God in your life right now?
- 3. What active ways can we till the soil of our hearts to make us ready to receive the word of God? Before worship? Before our group? Before our personal time with God?
- 4. It's one thing to say we should listen to the Word of God and not listen to the "thorns" that cause us anxiety, but what are some practical tips you've learned for how to do this?

WORKS (25 minutes)

• Break down into smaller units of 2 or 3s to pray with and for each other!

"My Jesus" by Anne Wilson

Are you past the point of weary? Is your burden weighing heavy? Is it all too much to carry? Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus Do you feel that empty feeling? 'Cause shame's done all its stealing And you're desperate for some healing Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus

He makes a way where there ain't no way

Rises up from an empty grave Ain't no sinner that he can't save Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus His love is strong and his grace is free And the good news is I know that he Can do for you what he's done for me Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus And let my Jesus change your life

Hallelujah, hallelujah Hallelujah, amen, amen

Who can wipe away the tears From broken dreams and wasted years And tell the past to disappear? Oh Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus And all the wrong turns that you would Go and undo if you could Who can work it all for your good Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus

He makes a way where there ain't no way

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Hallelujah, hallelujah Hallelujah, amen, amen Amen

Who would take my cross to Calvary? Pay the price for all my guilty? Who would care that much about me? Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus, oh

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Hallelujah, hallelujah Hallelujah, amen, amen Hallelujah, hallelujah Hallelujah (amen, amen) Let my Jesus change your life