

# LEADERS GUIDE

SPOKENTRUTH

GOSPEL TRUTH • SPOKEN WORD



## SESSION 8

# THE SHOWCASE



### LEADERS NOTE

Congratulate the young people for reaching the end of the Six Beats journey!

### Read Psalm 1.1–3

Key verse: 'Blessed is the one ... whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night' (NIV).

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### SUMMARY

Reading the Bible is like going into an ocean. You can choose to dip your toes in, do a cannonball and throw up a splash or take a deep dive but as Psalm 1 reminds us, the more we dive in, the more depth of truth and love there is to discover. It's an ongoing, day-by-day, lifelong journey that leads to blessing.

### Read Luke 24.13–35: On the Road to Emmaus

Key verse: 'And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself' (Luke 24.27, NIV).



### SUMMARY

There are many beats to the Bible story. We've covered the creation of the world, God's relationship with Israel, their rescue from Egypt, exile in Babylon and their journey back home. And that's just a snapshot of the Old Testament!

A bit like Cleopas and the unnamed disciple on their journey to Emmaus, we might find ourselves puzzling over the details and confused about what it all means. Jesus himself joined them on the road, listened to their jumbled thoughts and went all the way back to the beginning to explain everything.

This encounter reminds us that the Bible story isn't just about one big story, it's also about a big hero – we're talking huge main character energy. Look at Luke 24.27 again. The six beat story of the Bible points us to a Saviour, a rescuer – Jesus himself. He's God in the flesh. The very one who came down into the mess to save his people from it.

When the penny dropped that they'd been speaking with Jesus, the two on the road to Emmaus said their hearts were burning within them and they couldn't contain their excitement to share what had happened with others. When we recognise Jesus and all that he has done for us, it changes everything. How can we help others to see the big picture and the big hero at the heart of it all?

**LEADERS NOTE**

You can invite the young people to showcase some of their creative responses to the rest of the group, or even the wider church.

**The showcase**

This is your opportunity to get creative as you explore the Bible story. We'd love you to consider telling the Bible story in your own creative ways. Here are some examples of how you could do that:

**1. A social media sum-up: summarise the six beats of the Bible story in a creative way.**

- a. Work on your own social media post that tells the big story through six beats (Origins, Exodus, Exile, Messiah, Spirit, Home). This can be through pictures, emojis or words (think about how you can get #Creativeith hashtags)
- b. Work on a social media post, focusing on one of the six beats and how you would sum up that part of the story. This can be through pictures, emojis or words (think about how you can get #Creative with hashtags)

**2. Write a spoken word piece**

- a. inspired by one of the beats of the Bible story, e.g. the story of Jesus in Beat 4 – Messiah
- b. focusing on a Bible character who resonates with you and written from their perspective. This can be any character, even if they haven't been mentioned in any of the *Six Beats* spoken word pieces, e.g. Ruth

**3. Perform 'The Bible in Four Minutes' poem, or one of the Six Beats spoken word pieces.** This can either be done as a group or individually. Think about how you can add music, visuals or more than one voice (if you're in a group) to bring the poem to life.

**4. Devise a sequence of freeze frames to illustrate the Bible story (as explored in sessions 2–7).**

**5. Draw a beat picture strip.** Try to capture a whole beat of the Bible story with just one picture, or draw six pictures to illustrate each of the beats.

**6. Compose a creative prayer as a way of reflecting on what you've learnt, responding to God and sharing with others.**

**TIPS FOR CREATIVE WRITING/SPOKEN WORD:**

- **Say it simply** – bullet point the main bits of the story as simply as you can
- **Say it differently** – once you've got the basic points of the story you're trying to tell, have a go at sharing it in a different way. You could try rhyming, or sharing it from a Bible character's perspective, or using a conversational tone as if you're just catching up with a friend

**The Six Beats One Story book**

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