

# Sharing My Story

We desire to be impacted by and tell the story of how God has transformed our lives through the gospel. In preparing to share this story, it's helpful to reflect upon and write it out in your own words. Take time to seek the Lord in order to reflect and remember your story. The outside of our lives ("what" we say and do) gives us a window into the "why" (condition of our hearts). Our grave situation highlights our Great Savior, creating our joy! He is rich in mercy, love and grace.

## ***There was a beginning and a shaping: Purpose/Identity/Value***

**Growing Up**- *What was your family like, what did they value? What were your interests?, What were you drawn to? Were there crashes/brokenness where your sinfulness surfaced: what has wounded you? Destructive life patterns? How did you harm others? What emotions defined your life stages?*

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## ***There were ways I tried saving myself, outside of God: Saviors***

**gods**- *What ways did you try to "fill your gaps" in the world?, What was your "drug of choice"?(i.e., alcohol, money, religious performance, success, appearance, good works, sex, power, pornography, narcotics, children, boyfriend/ girlfriend, etc.) How were you following the ways of the world, your-self, or the ways of Satan/rebellion? What did you believe or do, to find purpose?*

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## ***There is a God who is Redeeming: New Paradigm Salvation***

**Grace**- *How did God speak "Good-News" into your life? What uniquely was it that Jesus has redeemed in your life (consider your unique gaps/gods)? What events or true identity from of the gospel is uniquely good-news for you?*

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## ***There is a God you now walk with in relationship: New Life in Salvation***

**Obedience from love**- *How is God pouring grace into your life now? How would you capture His call on your life? What ways are you coming to know Him more? Where do you find joy in life with Him?*

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