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III. 4 Ways Different Pieces of the Bible Fit into God's Story

1. Some passages _____ / _____ the Gospel.
2. Some passages _____ God's people for the Gospel.
 - Some passages _____ God's people to understand God's _____ of grace.
 - Some passages _____ God's people to understand their _____ for grace.
3. Some passages _____ the Gospel.
 - Some passages _____ the nature of _____ who _____ the Gospel.
 - Some passages _____ the nature of _____ who _____ the Gospel.
4. Some passages show the _____ of the Gospel.

As you read your Bible, ask yourself,
"what kind of piece is this and where does it fit?"

What we think the Bible is will impact how we read it . . . and if we read it at all. So what is the Bible all about?

I. What the Bible IS NOT . . .

II. What the Bible IS . . .

The Bible is God's Gospel Story . . . in 4 acts:

As you read your Bible, remind yourself of the Big Gospel Story!

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS

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Connecting & Caring Together

It's the first week of Growth Groups. Be sure to take time to connect with one another. Share highlights and lowlights from the holiday break and how you're doing at the start of this new year.

Studying God's Word Together

1. How did you "come under" the preaching of God's Word this week? What in the message challenged you? What was new? What was unclear for you?
2. Have you committed to a Bible reading plan in 2014? Why or why not? If yes, what's your plan and how's it going so far? Have you ever tried to read the Bible in the past and how did that go?
3. What are the four acts of the Bible's story and what story do they tell?

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4. Not everyone understands the Bible in this way. What are other ways people understand the Bible and/or other ways you've previously understood the Bible? Why does it matter how we understand what the Bible is? How will that affect how we read it . . . if we read it?
5. Read John 5:39-40 and Luke 24:13-49 (pay special attention to 25-27 and 44). What is happening in these passages and why are they significant for understanding the Bible? In other words, how do they give us a "box top" for putting the puzzle of the Bible together?
6. What are the 4 ways different pieces of Scripture fit into the story of the Bible? Can you give an example of each?

Praying Together

Be sure to leave time and prioritize prayer in your time together. Pray that God would help you and meet you in your Bible reading and in our Route 66 series together.