

National Youth Conference 2022 Worship Resources

Foundational (Colossians 2: 5-7)

Monday Morning (July 25) Call to Worship

By Cindy Laprade Lattimer, Worship Coordinator

(To crowd)

Reader 1: Stories just spill out of us when we are comfortable.

Reader 2: When we are excited.

Reader 1: There are a thousand ways to start a story:

(Turn to Each other...quick tempo back and forth)

Reader 1: Hey [Reader 2]! Do you remember that time when...

Reader 2: Oh my goodness, [Reader 1] - let me tell you what just happened...

Reader 1: You are never gonna believe this!

Reader 2: You gotta hear this!

(To crowd)

Reader 1: There are a thousand ways to start a story.

Reader 2: But sometimes our stories get jumbled up inside us.

Reader 1: We don't know all of what they mean yet

Reader 2: We don't know how they'll be received

Reader 1: Stories can both empower us

Reader 2: AND make us feel vulnerable.

(To Each other)

Reader 1: I have a hard time telling the story of God's power in my life.

Reader 2: Sometimes I can't see myself in the stories of the Bible.

Reader 1: I still haven't told the full story of *(Reader 1 - name something meaningful or powerful from NYC 2022)*.

Reader 2: Your story - my story - our story - they are not done.

(To crowd)

Reader 1: We are still living our stories.

Reader 2: They are still being written.

Reader 1: Beautifully, Tenderly, Faithfully - we are all made of stories.

Reader 2: Stories that grow - in us and through us.

Reader 1: Stories that are meant to be shared.

(Pause - count to 4)

Reader 2: So bring your story.

Reader 1: *(pointing as you go)* Because you are a part of my story - and so
are you - and you - and you.

Reader 2: May the story of God's love weave us more fully together - now and
as we grow this week. Amen

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ALL: We are all made of stories

Reader 1: Go and embrace God's story by loving others, no matter the circumstance.

Reader 2: Go and live your story, knowing that you are never alone, whatever storms arise.

Reader 3: Go and share the story, doing the unexpected and acting neighborly.

ALL: Amen