**Title:**Biblical Soul Care: Christ-Centered Model

**Scripture:**John 1:1-18

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**Big Idea:**Biblical soul care exemplifies Jesus Christ’s character, message, and involvement in people’s specific trials and problems.

**Outline**

1. The Source: God’s Word (vv. 1-5)

2. The Purpose: Bring Light to the Problem (9-13)

3. The Example: Incarnation of Jesus Christ (14-18)

4. Your Role: A Faithful Witness (6-8)

***WHAT DID YOU LEARN?***

1. Because of God’s character and work, what are some of the characteristics we can associate with God’s Word? (ex. Authoritative, sufficient, etc.) What growth do you need in your understanding of God’s Word to minister to yourself and others?

2. What scriptures are particularly helpful for you in your problems and trials? What do you need more scripture regarding in order to live for a greater glory of God?

***HOW WILL YOU APPLY IT?***

**Confess**

1. What is the light of God’s Word exposing in your life? What is keeping you from a more vital walk with Jesus Christ? How do you need to repent, so you can minister to others?

2. How much time do you spend with ministering to others? How can you increase your compassion for others? What are practical ways you can enter into other people’s lives?

**Renew Your Mind**

1. Recall 2 Peter 1:3-5. What do you have at work in your life through salvation that gives you hope? What are some specific times in your life where you can witness Christ’s transformation in your life? How can you share that with other people?

2. What needs to change in your personal walk with the Lord? Do you need to be more focused on seeing God’s character and work in His Word? Do you need to work on being more specific in your application of God’s Word? Do you need be more expressive in what you are learning and how God is transforming in your life?

***Live It Out***

Take the “Next Step” in Biblical Soul Care. Find an opportunity to practice this with another person. Get to know the person and their problem. Discern the problem that they are experiencing. Give specific Biblical instruction to live like Christ. Get involved into the person’s life as you help them. Provide hope for their life. Give them specific application that will ultimately help them live for Christ in their life.

***READ AHEAD***

Read 2 Peter 3:1-7. How does God’s judgment keep us in line with God’s truth? Are there any areas of your life that demands God’s discipline?