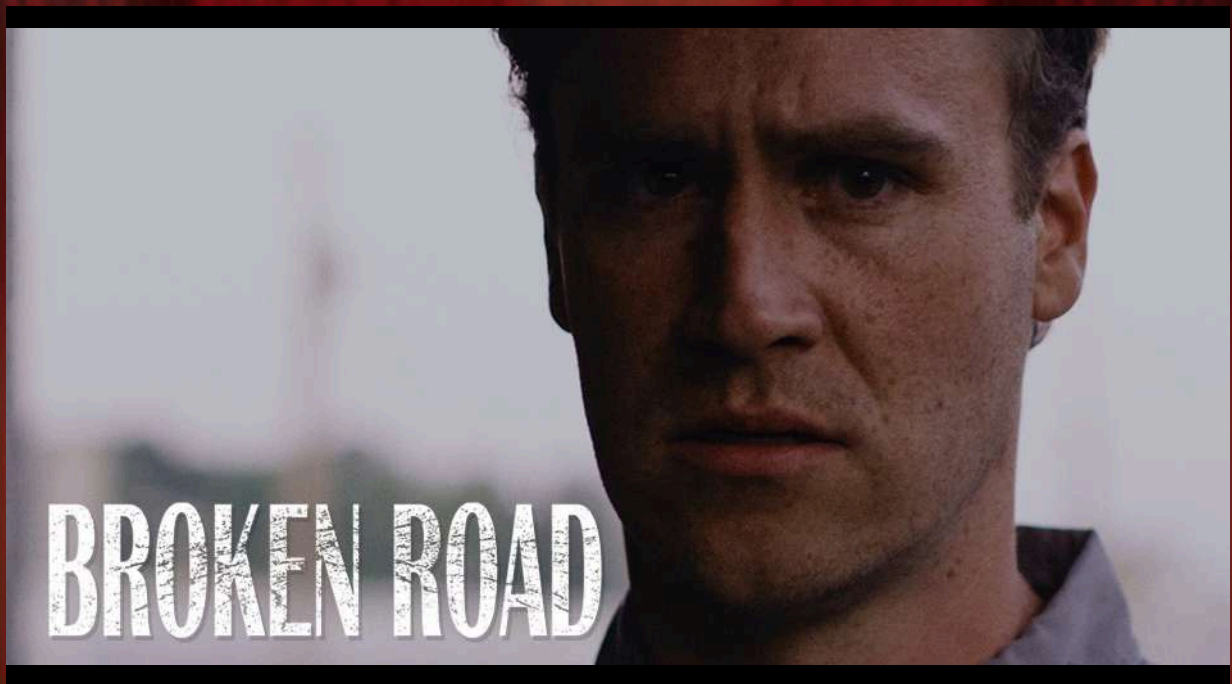




FINDING FAITH: Small Group Bible Study inspired by the movie "Broken Road"

INTRODUCTION

In *Broken Road*, the harrowing journey of recovery and sin highlights the desperate need for God's grace. Hoping for a fresh start after returning home from rehabilitation, Patrick must navigate the treacherous terrain of sobriety while wrestling with self-doubt and strained relationships. Despite his best efforts, Patrick ultimately succumbs to the crushing pressure; in a sudden moment of blinding rage, a terrible tragedy strikes. It is at this bottomless valley that he must find the strength to surrender his agonizing pain, embrace a transformative faith, and begin the messy, grace-filled work of repairing his shattered relationships. This study guide explores how our self-made paths lead to ruin, but the sovereign grace of God provides a way of true redemption, proving that no road is too broken for Him to rebuild.



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. WE ARE POWERLESS TO SIN

- Patrick returns home from rehab intending to change, yet he is immediately met with intense self-doubt and mounting temptations. His eventual fall highlights that human effort alone is powerless to conquer the deeply rooted corruption of sin. Why is a "fresh start" based purely on human resolve and strength bound to break under the weight of real-world temptation?

- Read Romans 7:18-20 and Jeremiah 17:9. How do these passages describe the fallen human heart? Why must we stop trying to "white-knuckle" our recovery and instead look completely outside of ourselves for a Saviour? that breaks internal, spiritual chains, and how should that reality shape our daily lives?



2. THE GIFT OF TRUE REPENTANCE AND RECONCILIATION

- The film shows that true reconciliation requires far more than a superficial apology; it demands a patient, gospel-driven repentance that mirrors God's grace to us.

-How does the gospel uniquely empower families to extend forgiveness to those who have deeply wounded them?

- Read 2 Corinthians 7:10 and Colossians 3:12-14. What is godly sorrow? How do these verses guide believers through the slow, painful process of relational restoration?



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3. GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY ADMIST TEMPTATION



- A lesson Patrick had to learn was to rest in God's sovereign preservation amidst the temptations he faced.

- When Patrick faced moments of temptation, what spiritual defenses should he have employed keep from falling back into old, destructive patterns?

- Read 1 Corinthians 10:13 and Philippians 2:12-13. How does the promise that God is faithful and will provide a way of escape comfort a believer? In what way is our "working out" of our salvation actually driven by God sovereignly "working in us"

4. THE ROLE OF THE COVENANT COMMUNITY IN SANCTIFICATION

- Patrick cannot survive the broken road alone; his restoration is intrinsically tied to the support, accountability, and love of those around him. How does Patrick's need for a supportive network demonstrate that sanctification is not a solitary endeavor, but a communal one?

- Read Galatians 6:1-2 and Hebrews 10:24-25. What are the responsibilities of believers when restoring someone stuck in sin? How does bearing one another's burdens fulfill the law of Christ and guard the church against spiritual pride?



REFLECTION & APPLICATION

How might you apply the themes of sovereign grace, true repentance, and covenant community in your own life? Share specific ways you can stop relying on your own strength during trials, seek deeper accountability within your local church, and extend gospel-centered reconciliation to those around you who have broken your trust.



PRAYER

Close the Bible study with a time of intentional prayer, allowing participants to lift up their own needs, hidden struggles, and fractured relationships to the Lord. Pray that the Holy Spirit will grant deep, godly repentance, shatter any reliance on self-righteousness, and bind your local church community together in Christ's unshakeable love.



CONCLUSION

Like Patrick in *Broken Road*, our attempts to fix our lives through human effort will always fall short in our fallen world. True redemption is a work of grace; initiated and completed by God alone. Seek Christ, trusting not in your own strength but in the finished work of Jesus—knowing that He who began a good work in us is faithful to bring it to completion, even on the most broken of roads.

