Victory Connect Lesson Proverbs: "The Story We All Want to Tell" Pastor Paul Daugherty May 14, 2023

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Discussion Questions:

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