

FACILITATOR GUIDE

WEEK 2



Preparation

WEEK TWO OBJECTIVE:

Help your group identify and articulate false beliefs they have held and new truths they have learned about the character of God. Process the Story of Creation, the Fall, and God's plan for redemption while encouraging vulnerable and honest sharing.



Read

Read pages 26-29 of the Facilitator Guide.



Communicate

Encourage your group mid-week and remind them to come with their calendars to discuss the Serve Experience, send a reminder to who is bringing snacks, and to the individual(s) about sharing their 2-5 minute story.



Pray

- Pray that people will be excited to come back and connect and that they will fight to spend time with each devotional.
- Pray that as you lead in vulnerability and share from your own life, they will want to share openly and authentically as well.
- Pray for God to give you wisdom, insights and a non-judgemental heart for each person in your group and that false or incomplete images of Him would be uprooted.



When You Gather

01 Covenant

Review the Rooted Covenant, and have those sign it if they did not on Week 1.

02 Upcoming

Remind the group that on Week 3 (The Prayer Experience), we will start an hour earlier. Explain that the Prayer Experience will also have a Fast and Breaking of Bread component.

03 Serve Form

Collect the Impact Serve Form and turn it into Elijah at the end of the evening or leave in the Adult Ministry Center.

04 Memorize

Review the Memory Verse—Romans 8:1-2, and hand out the new memory verse for next week, Ephesians 6:17-18.

05 Ice Breakers

Penny Game or Two Truths and a Lie (or whatever else you'd like to use).



Gathering Continued

06 Introduction Questions

What was a lie you told as a kid? What happened?

07 Discussion

Pick a question from each day for the homework to discuss with the group on page 29.

08 Questions

What have been your false or incomplete images of God?

What new thoughts do you have about God?

What do you learn about God from the creation story?

What questions does this account raise for you?

How does creation declare the glory of God to you?

How do you see God's love and care for you?

How does it make you feel to know God has given us the job to care for the Earth?

How do you respond to the idea that God wants a relationship with you? How have you seen this played out?



Gathering Continued

08 Questions Continued

Where do you see the consequences of human rebellion in our world? In your own life?

What kind of death have you experienced because of your sin?

Is the way of salvation, as is explained in this chapter, what you had previously thought? If not, how is it different?

Have you accepted Jesus as your Savior and Lord?
If yes, how has that changed you?
If you haven't, what is keeping you from doing it now?

09 Up Next

Make sure you know the next two people to share their story.

10 Pray

Close your time with prayer for God to bless your group and time together.

