

WEEK 1 GROUP GUIDE

SERIES OVERVIEW

We often focus on what makes us better, but purpose is found in something much greater than ourselves. This gives our life and our church purpose! In fact, a church that is for everyone, makes room for anyone!

BIG IDEA

There was nothing that could keep Jesus from his mission—the relentless pursuit of finding that which was lost. Two thousand years later and that same mission is what drives our church today.

ICEBREAKER/CHECK-IN QUESTION

• If you could magically find something you've lost in the past, what would it be and why? Bonus points if it's not your keys or phone!

DISCUSS

- How does the idea of being pursued by God make you feel, even if you haven't fully embraced your faith yet?
- Share a time when you felt lost or disconnected from your purpose. How did you overcome it?
- What practical steps can we take to move toward living out God's heart for the lost in our daily interactions, even if we're still exploring our own faith journey?
- What are some tangible things we can do individually or as a group to help create safe environments that are more attractive/favorable to "the one"? Let's brainstorm a list together.

READ

- MATTHEW 28:18-20
- LUKE 15:11-24
- LUKE 15:25-32

DISCUSS

- How does the passage in Matthew 28 impact the way we view our relationships & interactions?
- How does the story of the Prodigal Son illustrate God's unrelenting pursuit of us and the value He places on each individual?

PRAY

God, thank you for pursuing us relentlessly. Help us show your love to others as we continue our journey. Amen.