# MADE FOR MORE

#### **WEEK 2 GROUP GUIDE**

#### **SERIES OVERVIEW**

The Spirit helps us see sin for what it is, but we often live by our feelings instead. Seeing sin for what it is, we don't begrudgingly curb our sinful desires but gladly strive for self-control like a sinking swimmer reaches for a life preserver.

## **BIG IDEA**

The resurrection of Jesus and the Gospel message offers a type of joy and hope that can't be stolen. We don't become who we were made to be by going beyond these simple Gospel realities, but by going deeper into them, following the Spirit's lead.

## **ICEBREAKER/CHECK-IN QUESTION**

• Share a funny childhood memory that always brings a smile to your face.

## **DISCUSS**

- Share one or two thoughts that stuck out to you from this week's message.
- How do you differentiate between joy and happiness in your own life experiences?
- Reflect on a time when you felt true joy despite challenging circumstances. What sustained that joy?
- In what ways can gratitude and satisfaction transcend difficult life situations?
- How can rooting ourselves in God's presence help cultivate joy in our lives?
- How can surrendering to God's plans and purposes bring a deeper sense of fulfillment and joy in your life?

#### **READ**

- **GALATIANS 5:22-23**
- PSALM 16:11
- ROMANS 8:28

# **DISCUSS**

- How can Galatians 5:22-23 guide us in cultivating joy in our daily lives?
- Reflect on Psalm 16:11. How does the fullness of joy in God's presence impact your outlook on life?
- How does Romans 8:28 give you hope and assurance that God's purposes will prevail in challenging times? Have you ever witnessed that play out in your own life or in the life of someone close to you?

# **PRAY**

Thank You, God, for the joy found in Your presence, promises, and purposes. Help us anchor our lives in You always. Amen.