

WEEK 1

YOU WERE DESIGNED FOR CONNECTION

Chapters 1-2 | The First “Not Good” + You Were Designed for Connection

BIG IDEA

Before sin, shame, failure, or brokenness entered the story, God said something was “not good.” Adam was alone.

Our need for relationship is not evidence of weakness. It is part of God’s design. And being around people is not the same as actually being connected to them.

“We were designed for connection, but connection has to be intentionally built.”

BEFORE GROUP

- ☐ Read Chapters 1-2.
- ☐ Complete the Reflection Questions at the end of each chapter.
- ☐ Review the Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 Discussion Questions in the back of the book.

SCRIPTURE

GENESIS 2:18

“It is not good for the man to be alone.”

ACTS 2:42-47

As you read, notice how much of the early church’s life happened together.

LOOK BACK

WHAT STAYED WITH ME?

What stood out to you most from this week’s reading?

WHAT IS GOD SHOWING ME?

What did you recognize about yourself, your relationships, or the way you approach community?

REMEMBER: You do not need perfect answers. Come ready to listen, share, grow, and allow yourself to be known.

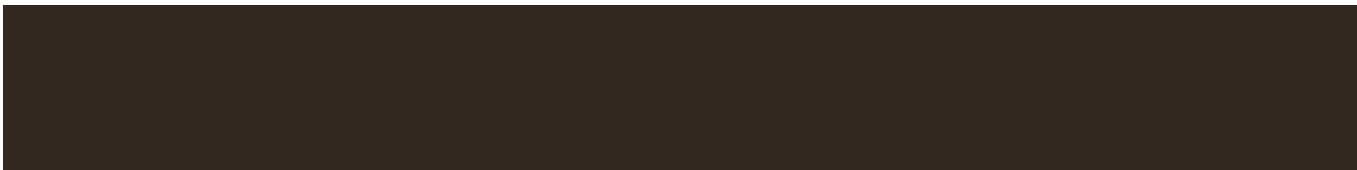
DURING GROUP

FROM OUR CONVERSATION

Write down something someone shared that challenged, encouraged, or helped you.

WHAT I DON'T WANT TO FORGET

Capture a phrase, Scripture, insight, or moment you want to carry with you.



TAKE ONE STEP BEYOND THE SURFACE

Community does not happen simply because people are in the same room. This week, reach out to one person intentionally and allow yourself to be known in one real area. It does not have to be your deepest struggle. Take one step beyond “I’m good.”

MY STEP THIS WEEK
The person I want to intentionally connect with:
The step I will take:

PRAYER

What is one real area where you would like your group to pray for you?

Who can I pray for this week?

BEFORE NEXT WEEK

READ CHAPTER 3

When Hiding Entered the Story

- ☐ Read Chapter 3.
- ☐ Complete the Reflection Questions.
- ☐ Review the Chapter 3 Discussion Guide.

**IF WE WERE DESIGNED TO BE KNOWN,
WHY DO WE HIDE?**

YOU WERE NEVER MEANT TO DO THIS ALONE.