### Hosting in God's house.

Romans 12:9-18 | Galatians 5:25-26

- o <u>See</u>: be present
- o Move: walk across the room
- Know: have a heart of empathy
- Expect: God to be present

# Life Group Study

For week of April 29, 2018

Many of our Life Groups use this insert as a discussion guide throughout the week. We encourage you to take that next step in your journey with Jesus & His church by joining one today! **www.seekreallife.com/groups** 

## Share your story

What insight, question, or resolution did you discover from our time of worship together on Sunday?

*Think about one of your closest friends.* How did you meet? How long did it take before you became as close as you are today?

What's the hardest thing about meeting someone for the first time?

Relationship is the bridge the Holy Spirit uses to reach people.

How are you at making allowances for other people in your life? *If you're pretty good at it, share some tips. If you struggle with this, share your struggle.* 

# Every story matters to God.

John 3:16-17

# You are part of a divine, supernatural encounter.

1 Corinthians 11:17-34 | Matthew 26:26-28

### Connect to God's story Read Romans 12:9-13.

Paul, the author of this letter, is explaining some of the ways God wants to transform you. (Romans 12:1-2) What are some of the ways God is desiring to transform you?

What part of this passage do you struggle with the most? Why?

In what ways have you seen God transform your life already?

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### Read 2 Corinthians 3:7-18.

While you are reading, take a moment and underline or highlight <u>Spirit</u> whenever it appears.

Look at what you underlined. What does the Holy Spirit do?

According to Paul, what is necessary to our understanding the Scriptures we read? What is the goal in understanding the Scripture?

#### Read 1 Peter 4:8-11.

Peter, the author of this letter, is writing about the kind of person we need to be when loving one another as an extension of the overflow of the hospitality God's shown you.

Have you ever been hospitable out of obligation? How did it go for you? What helps you not serve others begrudgingly?

All of us are given gifts as we walk with the Lord. What is the purpose of the gifts God gives you? Why do you think your attitude when exercising these gifts matters to God?

Take a look at your own attitudes in serving, speaking, offering hospitality, or exercising some other gift. Does this passage suggest any areas in which you might improve?

## Together in prayer.

As a church, let us come together in prayer.

- As our world continues to face senseless tragedy, pray for the wounds and darkness that leads to chaos to be broken by the light of Christ.
- Pray for opportunity in your life to speak life, pray for courage and wisdom to make the most of every opportunity.
- Pray for our city! For God to reveal Himself in transforming ways.
- Pray for the bids on the scheduled work on the remodel of our new building.
- Pray for the city planning meeting approval of proposed renovations of our new building.
- Pray for the one. May God draw each person into a living relationship with Himself.
- Pray for my next step in reaching the one I am praying for.
- Pray for boldness to reach our community with the love of Jesus.

Notes:

"Don't pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good." - Romans 12:9 (NLT)