Series: Jesus Christ, the Better Way Sermon: A Better Covenant Primary Text: Hebrews 8

## **Discussion guide:**

- Growing up, who did you fear more when it came to punishment, your mother, or your father?
  - Do you feel like you had a healthy fear of your parents? Explain.
- What do you think of when you hear the word covenant?
- What are some things you see in the world today that use "fear-based motivation" to get us to obey?
- Do you consider yourself to fear God?
- Why do you feel like the Hebrew Christians would have been tempted to go back to the old covenant if the new one was so much better?
- Read Hebrews 8:10-12
  - Do you recognize where this verse is in the Old Testament?
  - What do you think it means when it says God will write the laws "on our hearts"?
- Do you find yourself falling into old covenant thinking?
- Read John 10:9
  - How do you experience God's presence? (Worship music, wilderness, quiet time, etc.)
  - When do you struggle to just be in the presence of God?
    - What is one thing you can do this week to change that?