



# Together

**How to use the weekly guide:** Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. If your group is new or very busy, utilize the main section questions to guide your group.

## **Together - Week 1**

Pastor Jacob and Gary kickoff a new series by talking about approachability and offendability. We live in a world where it is easy to let our emotions control us. Thankfully, the Holy Spirit is with us, and as we trust Him with our emotions, stresses, and offenses; He will show us how to control them.

### **Connect - What was the high and low of your week?**

- What is it that others do that really gets under your skin?
- How easily offended do you get? What triggers you to get offended:
  - A look
  - A tone
  - When someone doesn't get back to you.
  - When someone didn't tell you or didn't ask you
  - When a decision is made that you disagree with

### **Learn - "What is God teaching you?"**

Read **2 Corinthians 10:5**

- When you are offended, what are your initial reactions?
- What does it look like for you to take every thought captive?
- Pastor Gary gave us three steps to live out this scripture, 1. Be Aware 2. Lean In 3. Flip it. What signs can you look for to help you be aware when you are being offended? Heart beating faster? Feeling heated? Sharp comments?
- Pastor Gary talked about how we can "lean in" to the offense. What questions could you ask to help you process offenses?
- The third step is to flip it. In what ways can you flip your normal reaction to lead to a better result?

### **Apply - "What is God challenging you to do?"**

- Take a situation you have gone through or are going through and walk through the three steps:
  1. Be Aware - What is offending you? What offenses have you pushed aside without addressing them.
  2. Lean in - What am I feeling? Why do I feel offended? What may I be missing?
  3. Flip it - What does God say about this? What way does God want me to respond in?

### **Prayer - How can we pray for you?**

- Take time to pray for these next steps and any additional prayer requests.

### **Upcoming Events - [myC3church.com/events](http://myC3church.com/events)**

**Super Serve Weekend** - Join us over Super Bowl weekend as we look to make a difference in our community.