new series: LIVING THE BETTER LIFE

START: (10 min)

- 1. How was your week?
- 2. Conversation Starter (*optional*): What is the best prank you have ever experienced or planned?

GOSPEL:

- 1. Read John 10:10. What does "an abundant" life look like to you?
- 2. Who and what are you thankful for?
- 3. Read this quote, "Where thankfulness is an emotion, gratitude is an attitude of appreciation under any circumstance." Can you explain in your own words the difference between thankfulness and gratitude?
- 4. Share a time in your life where you practiced gratitude even if you didn't feel thankful.
- 5. Studies show that our brains have a negative bias. How can our negative bias/feelings sometimes deceive us from the truth?
- 6. "Thankfulness is the quickest path to joy." What does this look like worked out in your life?
- 7. Together as a group, collect a list of Scriptures that you know that have to do with thankfulness.
- 8. How will you show thankfulness this week?
- 9. How does thankfulfulness connect to "living the better life"?

PRAYER: Take some time to pray for one another.