# GOD WITH US Week 5: Home at Last

**Objective**: To encourage us to live life with purpose and hope in Jesus.

# 1. Looking Back at the Story

From the Garden to the Tabernacle, Temple, Jesus, and finally the New Jerusalem, the Bible tells one long story of "God with us."

• Question: Which part of that story (Garden, Tabernacle, Temple, Jesus, New Creation) most resonates with you right now, and why?

# 2. Rethinking the End of the Story

#### Read Revelation 21:1-5.

• **Question:** How does the picture of "a new heaven and a new earth" and "God's dwelling place... among the people" differ from what you grew up imagining about heaven?

# 3. "He Is Making Everything New"

Jesus says, "I am making everything new" (Revelation 21:5).

• Question: What is one area of our world—or of your own life—where you most long to see Jesus "make everything new"? How does this promise give you hope?

#### 4. Partners With Him

#### Read Revelation 22:3-5.

• **Question:** The Bible says we will serve and reign with Christ forever. How does seeing yourself as a future *partner* with Jesus change the way you view your work, your gifts, and your daily responsibilities right now?

## 5. Serving With Purpose

#### Read Ephesians 2:10.

 Question: If God has "good works" already prepared for you, what might one of those "good works" look like in this season of your life? How could viewing your life as part of God's big story give you strength to keep serving?

## 6. Suffering With Patience

#### Read Romans 5:3-5.

• Question: Where have you experienced suffering, pressure, or discouragement recently? How might the promise of where we're going—God with us forever in a restored world—help you endure that with patience instead of despair?

# 7. Living in Hope

#### Read 2 Corinthians 4:16-18.

• Question: What are some "seen" things (temporary troubles, fears, frustrations) that easily capture your attention? What would it look like this week to "fix your eyes" more on what is unseen and eternal?

#### **FINAL THOUGHT**

We are not just hanging on until we escape this world—Jesus is coming to restore it, dwell with us forever, and let us partner with Him. When you know the end of the story, you don't just endure life... you live it with purpose, patience, and hope.

# THIS WEEK: LIVING THE PROMISE

Identify **one area** of your life where you feel most worn out, discouraged, or tempted to give up (work, family, health, finances, ministry, etc.).

Each day this week, pray:
 "Jesus, remind me of where this is all heading. Give me strength for where I am because of where You're taking me."

Choose **one concrete action** that reflects the coming Kingdom—something that looks like the world Jesus is making new (an act of mercy, justice, generosity, reconciliation, or faithful service).

Do it this week on purpose, and remind yourself:
 "This matters. I'm partnering with Jesus, and the promise of where we're going is giving me strength for where I am."