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Community Group Questions:

2 Samuel 7:1-29

- Do you consider yourself a "planner?" If so, how do you play that role in your family or friend circles? If not, how do you feel about "planning?"
- How do you react when plans don't work out as expected?
- When people talk about "God's plan for your life," what do you think they mean?
- Do you believe God has a plan for your life? For every life? Why or why not? If so, how have you been taught to know what that plan is?
- Do you think there is a difference between "God's plan for your life" and his "purpose for all mankind?" Why or why not?
- When life feels uncertain, unstable or unsteady what helps you settle your anxiety about the future?
- In spite of our regular disappointment, we continue to hope for leaders who can stabilize our experience with good and predictable outcomes. Why do you think we continue to place our trust in leadership?
- Sometimes specific places help us feel safe because of other special experiences there. What places help to calm you and increase your confidence? Why do you think they are so helpful?
- Some studies suggest what we need most when we feel uncertain is connection with others. Does authentic connection help your anxiety about the future? Why or why not?
- God seems to be encouraging David to trust his presence and promises, rather than specific plans or specific circumstances. How do you know when God is present with you during trouble?