CONNECT QUESTIONS

- 1) How have you seen God work in your life this week?
- 2) How have you struggled to obey God's Word and live out your faith in Christ this week?
- 3) Read Matthew 5:27-30 and James 1:14-15. Jesus uses strong imagery to illustrate the importance of decisively cutting sin out of our lives. How does His teaching contrast with that of our world?
- 4) How have you experienced or witnessed the pain and damage caused by unholy desire?
- 5) What steps can we take to guard our thoughts, aligning them more closely to the standards of Jesus?
- 6) Read Colossians 3:5 and 1 John 2:15-17. How can we cultivate a desire for God instead of the things of the world?
- 7) Take a moment to praise God, to pray for the needs of your group and our church, and to ask for God's guidance in the coming week.

Memory Passage

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— Matthew 5:27-28 (NIV)

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Call to Worship

Songs of Praise "Praise You Anywhere"

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

"Thank You Jesus for the Blood"

Prayer

Announcements Felisha Caldeira

Sermon Pastor Travis

Our Heart's Desire

Songs of Praise "I Speak Jesus"

"Doxology"

Benediction

Matthew 5:27-30 (NIV)

²⁷ "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹ If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰ And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

James 1:14-15 (NIV)

¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵ Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

Colossians 3:5 (NIV)

⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

1 John 2:15-17 (NIV)

¹⁵ Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶ For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. ¹⁷ And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Notes: Our Heart's Desire
