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Write Your Own Headlines

## TALK IT OVER

### Key Scriptures

*Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.* Colossians 3:1-3 NIV

*... They said, "The land we explored devours those living in it ..."*  
Numbers 13:32 NIV

*Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.* Philipians 1:12-14 NIV

*We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed ... Therefore we do not lose heart ... For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.*  
2 Corinthians 4:8-9, 16-18 NIV

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Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- What's a crazy headline or social media post you've seen recently?

Start thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?
- On a scale of 1-10, how positive is your mindset right now? Why did you choose that rating? Share one step you can take to move closer to a 10.
- Read **2 Corinthians 4:16-18**. What are some ways you can set your mind on things above?

Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- Share about about a situation in your life you currently have a negative perspective about. What are some ways you can change your thinking so that you have a positive perspective?
- Our lives are not defined by someone else's headlines. How can you avoid buying into others' negative news this week?

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

*Father, You are the all-powerful God who created the universe and holds all things together. Give us a clearer understanding of Your glory and majesty and how small we are in comparison. Help us to humble ourselves before You and rest in Your care, rather than in our own abilities. As we go throughout this week, give us eyes to see where You're at work. In Jesus' name, amen.*

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- [Write your own headlines and then share them with your LifeGroup this week.](#)
- Start the *Good News: Encouragement for a World in Crisis* Bible Plan using Plans With Friends: [www.go2.lc/headlines](http://www.go2.lc/headlines)
- Consider how you could love others by serving on the weekend or with a Local Mission Partner.