

## INSPIRED

### Group Study Questions: Week 2

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**Ice Breaker:** What's your favorite all time story (outside of the Bible)? It can be a movie or book. Why is it your favorite?

- How does understanding the Bible as “The Great Rescue Story” help you in your understanding of the Bible? How does it encourage your faith in Jesus?

#### **Creation: Read Genesis 1:31**

- LEADER: God saw all creation was “very good” especially after He made humanity.
- Is this how you think God thinks of you when He thinks of you, “very good”?
  - What is your self talk like to describe you? – stupid, worthless, not good enough?
  - What are things that have or has caused you to forget God's thoughts about you?
- LEADER – Remind your group that this the first thought of God toward His creation and that for the sake of these words sent Jesus to unravel our identity crisis, to take what is broken and make it right again.

#### **Fall: Read Psalm 14:3**

- LEADER: The Bible explains that the brokenness in our world is a result of our rebellion against God.
  - What stories do people around you believe to make sense out of the brokenness inside them and around them?
  - How does the story of the Bible make better sense of the pain and brokenness in our lives and world?

#### **Redemption: 2 Corinthians 5:21**

- LEADER: The Story of the Bible says that the best news in the world is news of rescue and the secret to life is being rescued and receiving grace instead of trying to save yourself.
- What are the ways people around you try to being rescue and redemption to their life?
- Why is important to keep personally rediscovering the gospel in our lives as Christ-Followers?
- Who are people in our immediate area that we can pray for that need to know and believe in Jesus and His great rescue?

#### **Restoration: Revelation 21:1-8**

- LEADER: The Bible shows us all of human history is headed toward home or hell – toward an eternity of bliss with God or an eternity of brokenness apart from God.
- What stories do people around you believe about where human history is headed?
- In what ways does the Bible make better sense out of the future to come?
- How does this passage in Revelation comfort you and scare you?