GROUP GUIDE

Conversation Starters If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?

Worship Together Spend a few moments in worship. You can sing together, read a Psalm, etc. Recommended Song: "Build My Life" (YouTube Link: xr.church/song1)

Checking In Share one thing you are excited about for the next 6 weeks of the Faith Adventure. What are you worried, unsure, or anxious about?

Watch Recap of "Jesus-Shaped Life" week 1 on the **Crossroads App or** xr.church/jesusshapedlife

Read Philippians 2:12b-13. Spend a few moments in prayer, asking God to guide your conversation together. Then break into groups of 3 to discuss the following questions.

Group Discussion Questions

- 1. When you hear the word "holy," what comes to your mind? How closely does that image resemble Jesus' character and life?
- 2. Does pursuing a Jesus-shaped life mean that we will lose our individuality? Why or why not?
- 3. In what ways do you most frequently see your old nature show up in your thoughts and actions? How would your life be different if your new nature were able to win more of the inner battles?
- 4. On a scale of 1-10, how confident are you that you will become more like Jesus over the next six months? Why?
- 5. What pitfalls might we face if we do not realize that it is the grace of God that enables us to become like Jesus?
- 6. Share a time you recently sensed the Spirit's conviction. How does knowing that you are already accepted by God change the way you respond?
- 7. Why is repentance essential to a vibrant spiritual life?

Act on It Spend 5-10 minutes alone reflecting on the scripture, discussion, the message, and your time with God. Pray and ask God to speak to you. Finally, complete the Response section and use the space below to record your answers.

Response

- a. What stood out the most from this week's readings, message, discussion, and prayer time? Where is God asking me to focus my attention this week?
- b. What will I do in response?

Share and Pray Take a moment and share what you wrote down. What questions, concerns, or insights might you have regarding what God is asking you to do this week? Spend time praying for one another. Pray to be empowered by His Spirit to take action this week on what each person wrote down.

Pray for the Open Chair Take an open chair and close by praying that God would fill it with someone who needs to experience His love and power through the group next week.

"being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

- Philippians 1:6