

IN FOCUS

2 CORINTHIANS

SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 3:1-18

1. **BELONG** – This section isn't filler, but an intentional time to slow down and assess how people are doing in their personal and spiritual lives. Feel free to change the questions, but the point is to truly sit in this moment to allow time and space for encouraging spiritual connection.
 - A. What has God been teaching you in this series so far?
 - B. Where do you see yourself growing in your relationship with the Lord and with others?

2. **DISCOVER** – Read 2 Corinthians 3:1-18 together in your group and discuss the questions below. Remember, this is meant to be a dialogue, not a monologue. There is a lot in this passage, so the questions are fairly broad this week. Let the conversation go where it wants but keep pointing back to the text:
 - A. How would you summarize the primary theme of this section of Scripture to someone who hasn't read it before?
 - B. What encouragement do you find in the passage? What's challenging or uncomfortable?
 - C. What truth(s) does this passage teach us about the character or work of God?
 - Can you think of any other passages in Scripture that support this truth?
 - D. How does this passage point us to Jesus?
 - E. What truth(s) does this passage teach us about the character of mankind?
 - Can you think of any other passages in Scripture that support this truth?

3. **GO** – Take time applying the text. Once we hear truth, we are called to live it out. If our groups just sit and talk about information, they won't experience transformation. This section is about self-reflection and helping one another be accountable to live out what we're learning.
 - A. What "veils" has God removed as you've followed Him?
 - B. Where do you find yourself living under the law and not under grace?
 - C. Are there any changes you need to make in light of the truth of this passage?

4. **PRAYER** – Petition the Lord together as you close out your group time. Under the BELONG section, we focused our prayers on one another. However, this PRAYER section is to be a more outward-focused prayer time.
 - A. Pray for the grace to find the freedom that is yours in Christ.
 - B. Pray for those who are bound by false teaching and who are living under the false demands of legalism and law placed on them.
 - C. Pray for opportunities to share with someone the amazing freedom that comes from submitting your life to Jesus!