



## Devotional and Discussion Guide - John 13:18-38

*This resource can be used to guide your personal anchoring time throughout the week, a small group discussion, or even a one-on-one conversation.*

### **READ**

**Begin by reading John 13:18-38.**

- As you read, note or underline the dialogue between Jesus and the disciples. Who is surprisingly silent during this exchange?
- What does Jesus give as the reason for predicting this betrayal?
- What questions do you have about these verses?

### **REFLECT**

- **ON BETRAYAL:** As we read the Bible, it is easy to think, "I would never...(fill in the blank)." But the humbling truth is that we are as prone to denial, betrayal, and pride as anyone we read about. This is a sobering and very personal question, but take a moment to consider this, "How have I betrayed Jesus?"
  - Was Jesus surprised by Judas' or Peter's actions? Is Jesus surprised by our sin? What does it mean to you to know that Jesus pursues you and extends grace anyway?
- **ON SECOND CHANCES:** Jesus gives us second chances. And even second second chances. His grace abounds. So the question becomes, what will you do with your second chance? Will you follow Peter toward repentance and restoration, or will you follow Judas toward shame and ruin?
  - Have you had a second chance moment? What did you do with it?
  - Do you need a second chance right now? Do you believe Jesus extends this grace to you?

### **PRAY**

- Begin your time of prayer by reading **1 John 1:5-10**. Read it slowly.
- Use these verses to guide your prayer. Here are some things to get you started.  
**FOCUS** on the goodness of God. In Him, there is only light, no darkness.  
**THANK** God that because of Jesus, we too can walk in the light.  
**CONFESS** how you have tried to stay in the darkness and deny your sin.  
**ASK** God to forgive your sins and help you live out the truth.

**\*Keep going this week by reading these scriptures:**

Mark 14:17-26

John 21:15-21

Matthew 27:1-10

Romans 5:1-11

