WEEK 2
SMALL GROUP GUIDE

WAITLISTED

You know that feeling you get when someone makes you a big promise? You probably feel excited, but you might feel a little skeptical too — especially when that promise gets delayed . . . and delayed again . . . and again. If you have to wait long enough for something you were promised, you might start to wonder when you've waited long enough. Eventually, you might even give up hope. In this 4-week series, we'll meet a handful of people from Scripture who each spent a long time waiting on God. From the stories of Abraham and Sarah, Paul and Silas, King David, and Joseph, we'll discover that **God has a plan, but we might have to wait for it**, and we'll be reminded that, while we're waiting, **God is faithful, God is listening,** and we **should never give up**, because God's not giving up on us.

THIS WEEK

THE BIG IDEA
While we're waiting,
God is faithful.

THE BIBLE
Acts 16:6-12, 16-40; Psalm 9:1-2,
9-11 and 46:1-5

- **What's something silly that left you feeling disappointed recently?**
- **What's an example of a big disappointment someone your age might face?**
- **How do you think a big disappointment or crisis could affect someone's faith in God?**
- **Have you ever experienced any major disappointments or crises? If you're comfortable sharing, what happened?**
- **When you've experienced a disappointment or crisis, how did you feel? What questions did you ask?**
- **When you heard Paul and Silas' story, what stood out to you or surprised you and why?**
- **If God hadn't rescued Paul and Silas from prison, do you think God could still have been considered faithful to them? Why or why not?**
- **Are you, or someone you know, waiting for God's help right now? Tell us about it.**
- **Read Psalm 46:1-5. Now read it again, slowly. Do you think God is trying to say anything to you through this passage today? If so, what is it?**
- **This week, which of these steps will you take, and how?**
    - **Trust that God is with you.**
    - **Pray while you wait.**
    - **Worship while you wait.**
    - **Remember God's faithfulness.**