

# WEEK 2

## SMALL GROUP GUIDE

# BACK TO THE FUTURE

Whether it's to stop yourself from saying something stupid, or see where you'll be in 10 years, or experience your favorite moment in history firsthand, we all wish we had a time machine sometimes, right? While time machines might not actually exist, the Bible can sometimes feel a little bit like a time machine. It's the story of the God who exists outside of time and had a plan to save the world before time even existed. God's plan was fulfilled through Jesus 2,000 years ago, but prophets like Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Amos left us hints about God's plan hundreds of years before that. So what was that plan? In this 4-week series, we'll discover that **Jesus' mission was to set people free and rebuild what has been destroyed** — and we can join Him on that mission, in part, by **doing justice** and **remembering** all God has done.

## THIS WEEK

### THE BIG IDEA

Jesus can rebuild what has been destroyed.

### THE BIBLE

John 2:12-21; Jeremiah 31:1-4a;  
Psalm 147:1-3; I John 2:6

- **Have you ever broken something that you wish could be fixed and returned to you?**
- **How do you think you would react if something important to you was destroyed?**
- **What are some things that can break, fall apart, or be destroyed in a person's life?**
- **Why do you think the people of Israel were so upset when their temple was destroyed? Why was rebuilding it so important to them?**
- **How did Jesus rebuild humanity's relationship with God? How has Jesus rebuilt your relationship with God?**
- **Why do you think Jesus was so angry to see what was happening in the temple? Have you ever been that angry about an injustice?**
- **Read I John 2:6. In the Scripture we read today, what are some things Jesus did that we could do too?**
- **What could we do to learn more about the injustices happening in the world?**
- **What's something you want to see God rebuild in the world or in your community? What could we do to help rebuild what's been destroyed?**
- **What's something you want to see Jesus rebuild in your life? How can we help or pray for you?**

### ACTIVITY

Ask everyone to remind the group of the causes they committed to researching during Week 1. Did they spend any time learning about their causes last week? If so, what did they learn? Where their cause is concerned, what's something that needs to be rebuilt?