

WEEK 4

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 calls us to remember.

THE BIBLE

Matthew 6:1-5, 16-18; Isaiah 58:3-9;
Acts 2:42-44

- If you had a time machine, what's one selfish way you'd use it? What's one selfless way you'd use it?
- Have you ever sacrificed for someone else and been frustrated that you didn't get any recognition for it? Why do you think that was so frustrating?
- What are some of the ways you've seen people try to get attention or recognition?
- What are some of the ways people sometimes make following Jesus all about themselves? Have you ever been guilty of any of those things?
- What are some ways you think we can fight the temptation to become selfish or self-centered?
- Why do you think God cares so much about whether or not we meet the physical needs of others?
- How do you think remembering what God has done for us can help us be justice seekers?
- Do you ever lose focus on Jesus or our mission? In what way do you lose focus?
- Read Acts 2:43. Why do you think it's important to think about fighting injustice as a team rather than individuals?
- Now that this series is over, what's the most important thing you want to remember? How can we help each other remember those things?