

# WEEK 1

## SMALL GROUP GUIDE



Don't you just love a little friendly competition? There's something about being a part of a team that makes you excited to root for "us" and root against "them." With people and with God, we're often quick to see others like our enemies, but God invites us to see things differently. In this 4-week series, we'll explore the stories of Abraham, Jeremiah, Jonah, Isaiah, and more, as we see how the big story of Scripture reveals that **God is for us, we're called to be for others, God is for our enemies, and Jesus proves that God is for us.**

### THIS WEEK

#### **THE BIG IDEA**

God is for you.

#### **THE BIBLE**

Genesis 1-11, 3:15, 12:1-3;  
Romans 5:8-10, 8:31-40

- **What's one rivalry you get really passionate about? Which side are you on?**
- **In the last week, what's one way you've seen people treat each other like enemies?**
- **How did we make ourselves into enemies of God, and what has God done to change that?**
- **What are some things God is against?**
- **What are some things God is for?**
- **Why do you think most people can list more things they think God is against than things they think God is for?**
- **What could we do to help people see more of the things God is for?**
- **Read Romans 8:31-40. How many times do you see the word "for" in these verses? How many times is it used to say that God is, or has done something "for us?" Which "for" stands out to you most?**
- **If you really believed God is for you, how would it change your life?**
- **If you believe God is for the whole world, how should it change the way you look at other people?**