

# Better Together

## Week Four | Becoming Together

**Introduction** Welcome to the final week of **Better Together**! In the previous weeks, we've discussed belonging and believing together. This week, your Group will discuss becoming like Jesus together. When it comes to our faith, sometimes we get so busy checking the right boxes that we miss the bigger picture: Jesus wants us to become like him. We know our world is often trying to take what it wants, serve its own interests, and win at all costs. Christ did the opposite: he gave freely, served those around him, and prioritized the Father's will. In our Groups, we want to serve one another. We want to encourage each other to prioritize God's will. Our end goal is to become like Jesus.

**Instructions** The sections below will help guide the conversation. The "Getting Started" section serves as a quick opener and introduction to the conversation. In the "Big Idea" section, feel free to use only some of the questions. Finally, the "My Life" section is to help you identify where in your life God is speaking to you. We recommend slowing down and letting everyone answer, rather than rushing to finish.

**Getting Started** 15 minutes After introducing any new guests, discuss the following question. We recommend the leader answer the questions first to get the conversation going.

- Where in your life have you grown in the past year?

**Big Idea** 15 minutes Read Romans 12:1-21. If possible, have a different person read each of the verses. After reading the verses, chat through the following questions.

- To begin, what word or phrase stands out to each of you in the passage?
- Why does that word or phrase seem important?

Now, here is one big idea to highlight from the passage:

"Following Jesus means being **"transformed"** – continually growing in our holiness and love. In other words, God welcomes us just as we are, but He loves us too much to let us stay as we are. Following Jesus means becoming like him."

- Throughout the passage, Paul challenges us with many ways to become like Jesus, from being faithful in prayer, to crying with those who mourn, to showing hospitality. List 3 of these ways that stand out to you.
- In which of these 3 ways would you most like to grow in the next year?

**My Life** 15 minutes Finish by asking God to help all of you identify where He is speaking to each of you. Pause and invite everyone to pray with you. After taking a minute to pray, talk through these final questions.

- What is one step you can take to become like Christ in the way you identified?
- What is one thing from today you want to remember a week from now?
- Is there anyone you need to share this conversation with?

**Conclusion** Thank everyone for showing up again and investing in the conversation.

- Does anyone have any prayer requests?
- Does anyone have any pressing needs?
- Does anyone have any questions?

Be sure to share any important information about your next Group meeting.

Then to the snacks!