### Set a Reminder

*Titus 3:1–11* 

**Message Based Curriculum** 

## **Opening**

Begin with a welcome and prayer to set the tone.

Introduce the theme:

God calls us to live as reminders of His grace — not just remembering who we were, but showing who He is through our good works, unity, and witness.

## **CONNECT**

- What's something in your life that you constantly need to be reminded of? (Think practical birthdays, appointments, to-do lists, etc.)
- Who is someone in your life whose transformation surprised you? What about their change impacted you?

## **DISCOVER**

*Read Titus 3:1–11 together as a group.* 

## **Understanding the Text:**

- 1. According to verses 1–2, what behaviors does Paul urge believers to embrace? Why do you think these would have stood out in the culture of Crete?
- 2. In verse 3, Paul gives a sobering description of life before Christ. Why is it important that we remember our past in this way?
- 3. Verses 4–7 contain a rich explanation of salvation. What words or phrases stand out to you in this section? What does this passage teach us about how salvation happens?
- 4. What role do good works play in the life of a believer according to verse 8? How does Paul clarify their place in relation to salvation?
- 5. In verses 9–11, what types of behaviors are considered "unprofitable and worthless"? Why do you think Paul is so strong in his language here?

## FIELD NOTES TO REMEMBER

Field Note 1: Remember—God can change a person.

- Why do we sometimes lose hope that people can truly change?
- How can we grow in trust that God is still in the business of transformation?

## Field Note 2: Remember—God is good, loving, and kind.

• Tim Keller wrote, "I worry because I forget your wisdom... I fear because I forget your sovereignty..."

Which of God's characteristics are you most prone to forget?

How does remembering who God is change your attitude or response to life's challenges?

# Field Note 3: Remember—Our actions impact our community.

• Paul David Tripp said, "Belief in the truths of Scripture is expressed in the way you live your life."

If someone watched your life this past week, what would they learn about your beliefs?

## **APPLY**

- Is there an area of your life where you're struggling to "be ready for every good work" (v.1)? What would it look like to lean into that opportunity this week?
- Are there any "foolish controversies" or divisions that you're participating in online or in person that you need to walk away from for the sake of unity?
- What are some simple ways your group can live counter-culturally in a way that reflects the grace of God?

## **RESPOND**

Choose one or two of these prompts for journaling, prayer, or optional group sharing:

- Who in your life have you given up hope for? How can you begin to pray and believe again that God can change their heart?
- What part of God's character do you need to remember more often?
- What's one step you can take this week to be more intentional in your witness in words, actions, or attitude?

## **GROUP PRAYER**

- Thank God for His mercy and grace that we are saved not by works but by His kindness.
- Pray for eyes to see opportunities to do good and courage to step into them.
- Ask for unity in your church community and wisdom to avoid distractions and division.

Pray that your group would live in a way that compels others to see the hope of Gospel.					