

# **TELLING YOUR STORY IN FIVE WEEKS**

Everyone has a story, and there are many ways to help your group members share theirs. This guide is designed to help your members unpack their stories over the course of five weeks.

You may be eager to let others know about you, or you may be filled with anxiety. Either way, keep this in mind: the members of your group have chosen to be in community—a kind of community different from the teams, work environments, and casual friendships we normally experience. Like you, they're looking for a community that spurs them into growth in their relationship with God. Challenge yourself to be real as you share parts of your story in the weeks to come. Let your group know who you are.

# SESSION ONE: CHILDHOOD

#### Have each member of your group answer these questions:

What is one of your favorite childhood memories? Why is that memory special?
If you had to use one word to describe your family dynamic growing up, what would it be? Why?

### SESSION TWO: TEENAGE YEARS

#### Have each member of your group answer these questions:

- 1. What three words would you use to describe yourself as a teenager? Why?
- 2. Finish this sentence: When I was a teenager, I spent most of my time \_\_\_\_\_

### SESSION THREE: MILESTONES

#### Have each member of your group answer these questions:

- 1. What is one big decision you've made in your life? What happened?
- 2. Talk about a season of life in which you grew a lot. What caused that growth?

# SESSION FOUR: KEY RELATIONSHIPS

### Have each member of your group answer these questions:

For Married People:

1. How did you and your spouse meet?

2. Finish this statement: My spouse makes me better by \_\_\_\_\_.

For Single People:

1. Talk about someone who has been a major influence on you. How did your relationship with that person shape or change you?

2. Who is a key person in your life right now? In what area of your life is that person most influential?

# SESSION FIVE: FAITH JOURNEY

### Have each member of your group answer these questions:

1. What was your perception of God during your childhood and teen years? Who or what influenced that perception?

2. Describe your current relationship with Jesus.

