SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Foundational Practice: Intentionally Pursuing Community

This month, we focused on our foundational practice of "Intentionally Pursuing Community." Spend a few minutes sharing your responses to the following questions: As you reflect on this past month, how did being pursued, or pursuing others, in community impact your weeks? In what ways can you intentionally pursue others where you live, work, and play?

- 1. What caught your attention in the teaching and why? What did God bring to mind as you listened?
- 2. How did you see God's character in the passages covered this week? What patterns or themes did you notice?
- **3.** Read Hebrews 12:3-11 out loud. What stands out to you in this passage? How have you experienced the discipline of the Lord in your own life, and how did it lead you to confession and repentance?

"My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the LORD reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights."

- PROVERBS 3:11-12

- **4.** Read Romans 2:1-5 and 2 Peter 3:8-9 out loud. What do you notice about the Lord's timing in these passages? In what ways do you find comfort and/or encouragement in knowing that God is sovereign and His timing is perfect? How have you experienced His perfect timing in your own life?
- **5.** God was with the Israelites in the wilderness, in a cloud by day and a fire by night (Exodus 13:21-22), and God is with us today. He invites us to be with Him, to participate with Him, and to trust Him each day. What does it look like to live life *with* God? How can we daily present ourselves to God and walk in step with the Spirit?

CLOSING CHALLENGE

Set aside time this week to sit with the Lord and process what you heard in the sermon and what you discussed with your Life Group. What encouraged you? What challenged you? How is the Spirit leading you to respond in light of what you learned? Reach out to one person from your Life Group this week and ask how you can be praying for them. Pray for them and follow up next week.