

Unveiled | Week 8 | February 23, 2025

Scripture: Matthew 4:12-16

Big Idea:

Jesus unveils the completion of God's promise to bring liberation and joy to all.

Questions for Connection (Offer these to help start the conversation)

- 1. Have you ever experienced total darkness? How did it feel? How'd you feel when light returned?
- 2. Have you or someone you know ever been rescued from a dangerous or difficult situation? What was that experience like?

Read Matthew 4:12-16

- 1. How does this passage connect to God's promise of liberation and joy in Isaiah (Read Isaiah 9:1-2)? Discuss the stark contrasts of darkness and light in verse 2.
- 2. What are some ways the forces of darkness influence us in our everyday lives, both physically and spiritually? What does this look like for you?
- 3. How do you live in peace and have joy amid the forces of darkness? Is there a current struggle, and how can the group pray for or come alongside you?
- 4. As followers of Jesus, we know that salvation and transformation are available to all. How can we reflect his light to others so they can experience his freedom, joy, and peace? What can our group do together to make this happen?
- 5. Ask Jesus, "Where are you calling me to be a light for you in a dark place?"
- 6. What has God shown you through Live It Out over the last week?

Gospel-centered

Ultimately, "the Gospel" is all about Jesus. Jesus gives new life and transforms lives through the power of the Holy Spirit. This truth is at the center of all we do.

Question:

 Name a time when you experienced freedom, joy, or peace by stepping into his presence.

^{*} Make sure to include time to pray together as part of your group's time. *