

## SESSION 2 HANDOUT

### KEY SCRIPTURES (NIV):

Psalm 139:1-16

*You have searched me, Lord, and You know me. <sup>2</sup> You know when I sit and when I rise; You perceive my thoughts from afar. <sup>3</sup> You discern my going out and my lying down; You are familiar with all my ways. <sup>4</sup> Before a word is on my tongue You, Lord, know it completely. <sup>5</sup> You hem me in behind and before, and You lay Your hand upon me. <sup>6</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain. <sup>7</sup> Where can I go from Your Spirit? Where can I flee from Your presence? <sup>8</sup> If I go up to the heavens, You are there; if I make my bed in the depths, You are there. <sup>9</sup> If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, <sup>10</sup> even there Your hand will guide me, Your right hand will hold me fast. <sup>11</sup> If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," <sup>12</sup> even the darkness will not be dark to You; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to You. <sup>13</sup> For You created my inmost being; You knit me together in my mother's womb. <sup>14</sup> I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful, I know that full well. <sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from You when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. <sup>16</sup> Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in Your book before one of them came to be.*

John 3:16-21

*For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him. <sup>18</sup> Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. <sup>19</sup> This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. <sup>21</sup> But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.*

2 Corinthians 5:17-19

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: <sup>19</sup> that God was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation.*

Isaiah 1:18-20

*"Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool. <sup>19</sup> If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the good things of the land; <sup>20</sup> but if you resist and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword." For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.*

## **DISCOVER MORE**

Consider what we discussed in this session and the key Scriptures provided to reflect on your own life:

Why do you think God accept us, knowing everything about us there is to know?

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If God knows your darkest secrets and is offering to forgive you, how do you respond?

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Why do you think it is so difficult for us to accept God's forgiveness?

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How can you receive and accept God's offer of forgiveness?

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If God forgives you completely, what do you do about the guilt you may still feel?

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What does it mean for you in everyday life if you are forgiven by God?

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Take the time to memorize John 3:16-18.