WEEK 3 DISCUSSION GUIDE for middle schoolers



Does life ever feel like a never-ending waiting game? Like you're always waiting to get a little older, to gain a little more freedom, or to find a little more clarity about your future? When you think about the person you're becoming and what your future holds, do you ever just want to skip ahead in your story to see how it all turns out, who you'll become, what you'll do, or what kind of difference you'll make? In this four-week series, we'll talk about all the questions, fear, frustration, and excitement that thinking about our futures can bring. As we explore passages from Ecclesiastes, Revelation, and more, we'll discover four truths about what God has in store for us: we're all a work in progress, your purpose is to be like Jesus, God's plans for you are good, and your next step is to get closer to God.

THIS WEEK

BIG IDEA

God's plans for you are good.

BIBLE

Psalm 40:1-5; Matthew 16:13-23; Romans 8:28

- What's something in the future you're looking forward to right now?
- It's okay if it changes, but what's your plan for your future at the moment?
- What are some reasons someone might have a hard time trusting God's plans? Can you relate to any of those reasons?
- How do you think remembering what God has done in the past can help us trust God in the future? Do you have any examples from your life?
- Read Romans 8:28. Is this easy or difficult for you to believe about God's plans for you? Why?
- This week, what's something you can do to grow your trust in God's plans for you?