

AT THE MOVIES

At The Movies, Week 2

God's truth is everywhere, even in your favorite movies. This month, you'll gain real-life wisdom while watching some of your favorite films and feel uplifted and inspired.

Conversation Starter: *Have some fun as you break the ice.*

- Do you prefer old-fashioned maps or turn-by-turn navigation of GPS? Why?
- Share a time you were physically or someone you love was lost.

Key Scriptures: *Let God's word frame the conversation. Take a minute to read this selected passage together as a Group.*

- *Matthew 7:7-11; Luke 19:10; Luke 15:21-24; Ecclesiastes 3:11*

Discussion Questions: *Pick a few questions below to guide your time.*

Starting Sharing: *Choose a question or two to create openness.*

- Have you ever lost something precious or meaningful to you? How did you respond?
- Describe an experience when you felt lost: in your faith, career, relationship, etc.
- Share when you've had everything going your way but still felt empty or like something was missing.

Start Thinking: *Choose a question or two to think critically about the subject.*

- What do you think Solomon means when he writes, "God has put eternity in the hearts of man"?
- Name some ways people numb out instead of seeking. Why do we settle for being comfortable vs. fulfilled?
- Even when rescued, you can find yourself off-course. What are some ways you've experienced this?

Make it Personal: *Choose a question or two to help you identify your best next step.*

- As a follower of Jesus, are you on route following, or have you been veering off-course?
- How does knowing God is searching for dispel the fear that he is angry with you?
- If you are skeptical of or seeking God, how can you double down on your efforts so you don't get distracted?

Next Steps: *Everybody has a next step. Check out some ideas below to help you grow by doing.*

- **Keep Asking:** Talk to God. He doesn't get tired of hearing from you. Tell him what you need.
- **Keep Seeking:** God doesn't play hide and seek. He wants you to find him; he is not far away, so search.
- **Keep Knocking:** Be persistent. When you draw near to God, he draws near to you.

Prayer: *Invite God to do what only He can do!*

Heavenly Father, thank you for being the God who searches for us. Even while we were hopelessly lost, you pursued us because we matter to you. Help us not settle with being comfortable but empty. Consume us to help others get found and follow you together. Amen.