FIVE YEARS FROM NOW

WEEK 1 | DISCUSSION GUIDE

LAUNCH

Share a story of a time you broke something as a child?

EXPLORE IT

Big Idea: Restoring the broken with the Gospel.

Read Jeremiah 2:1-13 together as a group.

- Verses 2-3 begin with an affirmation of God's remembrance of us.
 How does God describe his love for his people?
- What do verses 5-8 teach us about the relationship between idolatry and our remembrance of God?
- What are the two things that the Lord declares should cause us to shudder in horror?
- What are some ways that you have forgotten God or his past mercies to you?
- What habits or practices can remind you of who God is and what he has done?
- When have you experienced the glory and beauty of God in your life? How did it affect you?
- Verse 13 says that God is "the spring of living water" (2:13). Where
 do you find yourself returning to when you are "spiritually thirsty"?
 What habits or practices keep you close to the Holy Spirit, the
 eternally satisfying spring (Jn 4:14)?



APPLY IT

- Why do we first need to be broken in order to experience revival?
- What circumstances has God created in your life in the past that have helped you realize how much you needed Him?
- What blessings of brokenness have you experienced in the past?
 What blessings have you observed in the lives of others?
- Are there any characteristics of a proud and unbroken spirit that you identify with? What steps toward experiencing brokenness in those areas can you take today?
- How can you live a life of brokenness in a vertical direction? How can you in a horizontal direction?

PRAY REQUEST

Glorious God, forgive us for when we have exchanged your life-giving presence for worthless idols that do not satisfy. Renew in us the devotion of our youth, that we may drink deeply of your Holy Spirit and find eternal satisfaction in you. Amen.