

AFFIRMATION OF GROWTH (15 MINUTES)

- **Check in:** Let each person share how their challenge went this week and one thing that God has taught them in facing it.
- **Pray:** Pray specifically for both those who struggled with the challenge and those who met their goal. Ask God to reveal truth and continue the work he is doing in each person.

BIBLE DISCOVERY (35 MINUTES)

- **Big Idea (Watch Video):** Sin (defined as disobedience against God's design) always results in brokenness and eventually in death.
- **Bible Passage:** Genesis 4:1-16 & Matt 5:21-24.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- 1. Recall Pastor Ben's message and explain how sin leads to death and/or brokenness in people's lives, relationships, and careers.
- 2. Read **Genesis 4:1-16.** What stands out in the story? What do you notice? What part do you like the most? What do you dislike?
- 3. Focus on the warning on the danger of sin in **Genesis 4:7.**What does God mean by doing well and being accepted?
 What does this teach us about God's expectations?
 What does this teach us about temptation and sin?
 How do we avoid Cain's error when facing temptation?
- 4. What does this story reveal about appropriate worship? How do good or bad attitudes impact our worship? How might conflicts with others impact our worship?
- 5. Read what Jesus says in **Matthew 5:21-24.** What core value does Jesus promote for right worship? What attitudes must we change for us to worship well?

CHALLENGE FOR LIFE (10 MINUTES)

- **One Change:** Each person must identify one personal action to take in response to the Word of God. Remember to be specific.
- **Pray:** Close by praying for each member to be faithful to the Bible challenge and responsive to the Holy Spirit in the coming week. It is God who makes the changes in our lives.