

August 10, 2025 Discussion Guide
Scripture reading: Ezekiel 12-24

CHECK UP:

*Memory Work: I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them; I will remove from them their heart of stone and give them a heart of flesh. – Ezekiel 11:19

*How did you surrender your heart to God this past week? How did God work in your heart?

OPEN:

- What was a highlight in your week this past week? What was a particular challenge you had?
- Did you B.L.E.S.S. someone this past week? (*Begin in prayer, Listen, Eat, Serve, Share*)
- What stood out from this past week's reading?
 - o What do you have questions about?

READ and ASK: Ezekiel 12:1-2; 16:1-43

- So far in the book of Ezekiel (and in this passage) how have we seen the hard and rebellious hearts of God's people?
- Who are the characters in this allegorical love story?
 - o How does it vividly portray how God feels about the rebellion of his people?
 - o How does this allegory get your attention?
- What does this text teach us about the heart of God?
 - o What does it reveal to us about the heart of man?
- How have God's people demonstrated pride in the book of Ezekiel?

READ and APPLY: Romans 5:8

- How does Romans 5:8 speak to you?
 - o What does it mean that God stepped into our mess before we ever even thought about "turning back to him"?
 - o How do we resist going back into the sin that once held us captive?

- How does pride lead us away from God?
 - o James 4:6-8 says, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come near to God and he will come near to you."
 - o How does the above passage teach us to deal with pride?
- NEXT STEPS: How do you need to humble yourself before God? Based on the texts read, how do you feel called to action?

Memory Work:

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Next Week's Reading:

Ezekiel 25-32