TALK IT OVER

Key Scriptures

"... the devil ... was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies." John 8:44 NIV

"Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32 NIV

... The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:16 NIV

Search me, God, and know my heart ... See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Psalm 139:23-24 NIV

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ... Ephesians 5:25 NIV

Catch for us the foxes, the little foxes that ruin the vineyards, our vineyards that are in bloom.

Song of Songs 2:15 NIV

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. ... James 5:16 NIV

"... with God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26 NIV

Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

 Are your thoughts about others usually more positive or more negative?

Start thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?
- What do you say when you talk to yourself about relationships, dating, or marriage?
- Read **Psalm 139:23-24**. How could this Scripture influence your attitude to better love the people around you?

Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- Talk about a time when you tried to manage a small sin on your own. Did you end up sharing it with others for help and healing?
 What was that experience like?
- Share some of the thoughts you have about your spouse. Are there any lies you're believing that need to be replaced with truth? What truth will you use to replace the lies?

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

Father, thank You for being the Truth that sets us free. Show us where we're believing lies that are hurting our relationships. We're ready to do the hard work of sacrificing, apologizing, and forgiving to have better relationships. Please help us fight lies with Your truth. In Jesus' name, amen.

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- Find more relationship resources: www.life.church/betterrelationships
- Start the Wisdom for Dating Bible Plan using Plans With Friends: www.go2.lc/dating
- Consider how you could love others by serving on the weekend or with a Local Mission Partner.